

# Sycamore 83



GREGG REIM H.G.A.  
photography editor



Gregg,  
I haven't seen too  
much of you this year!  
But I still think you're a  
super person. Good luck in  
your future years.  
Love, Ya  
Rachelle

# ON MODESTO

Handwritten musical score for 'ON MODESTO'. The score is written on five staves, each with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The lyrics are written below the notes. The first staff begins with 'On the day that the world was born'. The second staff begins with 'The first light of dawn'. The third staff begins with 'The first breath of air'. The fourth staff begins with 'The first step of man'. The fifth staff begins with 'The first word of love'.

To a real cute guy  
I met. Hope I see  
you in the future.  
True for when you  
graduate. Good luck  
with the guys I mean  
girls. See ya.  
Sharon  
Machado

# CHEER FOR MODESTO

Handwritten musical score for 'CHEER FOR MODESTO'. The score is written on four staves, each with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The lyrics are written below the notes. The first staff begins with 'Cheer for Modesto'. The second staff begins with 'Send the ring-ing cheer on'. The third staff begins with 'Shake down the dust from the sky'. The fourth staff begins with 'While her loyal arms are reaching out to you'.

# VICTORY SONG

Handwritten musical score for 'VICTORY SONG'. The score is written on four staves, each with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The lyrics are written below the notes. The first staff begins with 'Run - more alert to pounce'. The second staff begins with 'path to meet the prey'. The third staff begins with 'down the road'. The fourth staff begins with 'Fight! Might - y power'.



Gregg

you're a really sweet guy.  
Stay sweet & cute. I  
hope to see ya next  
year if I come back  
from Mexico. I wish  
we could of got to  
know each other better.  
Well good ~~bye~~ in  
all you do

LOVE  
DITA  
BRUNET

Well kid I'm  
going to miss you  
alot. do you know why  
well tell you cause I'm  
going to have no one  
and lunch and Brandy out to  
we did. Don't forget things  
all of  
in the future. Good luck  
Always  
Dana V.

# SCHOOL HYMN

Gregg,  
you are such a sweet  
guy. I'll never forget  
all the hours of sharing  
me in sticky that  
yearbook. I love that  
sense of humor. I stay  
out and have a great  
summer. Keep out of  
trouble. Stay away  
from the drags.  
What does love of a  
girl stand for?

P.S. what does love of a  
girl stand for?

The School Hymn was selected after a competition in 1934.  
The words were written by Martha Ayer, '36, and the music  
was composed by Lauramae Lewis, '35. It has been used con-  
tinually ever since, especially at rallies, football and basketball  
games, and similar spirit activities.



To Drugg,  
 A real sweetheart  
 and good looking  
 guy I met this year  
 you stay that when you  
 go to college. I wish we had  
 more time to get to know each other  
 a little better even though I really  
 haven't known Jack Phun long. I really  
 think you're pure and like ya a lot. Hope  
 to see you this summer or sooner. Take  
 care.

H.G. - These drug  
 crazed years have come  
 to an end. Thank God.  
 If there is one, well,  
 I won't go into that.  
 Don't forget to take  
 drugs every day. I  
 hope you fulfill your  
 lifelong goal of dying  
 of an O.D. before you're  
 27. Keep partying or puking  
 or whatever. That's it.  
 Goodbye.

Drugg,  
 You are a real nice and crazy guy.  
 Stay that way. Hope that you will  
 never forget me since you leaving this  
 wonderful school. Try to keep in touch  
 sometime too. Take care of yourself over the  
 summer or you just might get in trouble.  
 Stay cool too. Remember just think "524-5683".

Love ya.  
 Gina B.

To a good-looking and  
 sweet guy. I really wish  
 we could get together.  
 You are the greatest boyfriend any  
 girl could ever have. I really  
 hope we can try again some day.  
 Have a nice life, and I hope all  
 your dreams come true.  
 Love Always,  
 P.S. Please call me  
 522-5683

Drugg, really  
 you're a sweet person  
 most of the time. I  
 was just while it lasted  
 It's too bad you're going off  
 to college. I was a "bad  
 boy" going to "the man".  
 I'm glad you're  
 aren't before you're  
 getting out of this stupid.



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school? and all these stupid people  
won't be around? well, when you  
come back to visit give me a call,  
you have my number. maybe  
we can go to "the man" and have  
a good time! how ya always & forever,  
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## Dedication

**D**uring the century of Modesto High's existence, over 100,000 students have passed through its halls, each contributing something to the Panther Heritage, and each receiving in return an equal amount of Panther Pride.

Not only the students who have attended this school, but also the entire community of parents and friends have given a part of themselves to make MHS what it is today.

Thanks to that never-ending community support, Modesto High's campus has continued to be rebuilt rather than replaced, ever since the historic move to "First & H." Thanks also to students who worked to make the customs of the past into the lasting traditions of today.

From the earliest days of MHS history, faculty members have been a vital link with the community, helping students to develop their full potential while keeping spirit and traditions alive.

For these reasons, the 1983 Sycamore staff felt that a dedication to the students, staff and community of Modesto High was an appropriate way to show recognition for their continued support throughout the years.

Three individuals have been chosen to represent this vast community: Dr. John Cooper, Mrs. Grace Updike Jones, and Miss Margaret Painter, who are the oldest living members of MHS history.



Above: Oldest living graduate Grace Updike Jones, shown here in a high school portrait, graduated from Modesto High School in 1909. Right: Dr. John Cooper, the oldest living male alumnus, is shown here as a freshman; he graduated in 1911 and was the first editor of the MHS yearbook, The Sycamore.







# A Century of Significance

**4** From 1883 to 1983, Modesto High School has undergone many changes; four sets of buildings and numerous different student attitudes, have all reflected the significance of our heritage as Panthers.

## Association

**18** Classes, activities, fads, fashions and environment form the nucleus of Student Life, while friends, dances, parties and cruisin' provide diversions from the day-to-day pace.

## Competition

**44** Facing new opponents in a new league often proved to be a frustrating task as Spirit leaders and Sports teams struggled to post winning seasons and promote Panther Pride.

## Involvement

**118** In addition to attending their Classes, many students "got involved" by joining one of the Clubs on campus, ranging from groups of less than a dozen to hundreds of members, all enjoying the chance to pursue a special interest.

## Individuals

**166** Of the more than 100,000 MHS students and staff members, many have distinguished themselves in one way or another, a tradition maintained by the current student body and staff, whose Portraits are featured here.

## Promotion

**244** In addition to Advertising, the Index provides an alphabetical listing of each person included in the book, and the pages where they are pictured. The Story of the Year recounts the major local, state, national, and world events.



Top: Two 1983 graduates look over the sprawling metropolis of Modesto, symbolizing the continued support from 20,000 graduates, 100,000 students, and the entire community.

Right: The oldest surviving faculty member is Miss Margaret Painter, who taught English and Speech classes at MHS from 1918 to 1948.

Below: Dr. Cooper, Miss Painter and Mrs. Jones gather in the McHenry Museum to share old memories during an oral history interview.







# A Century

by Loree Oaks



Above: The Country Store was an excellent place for the town folk to gather for a discussion of the problems of pioneer life. Right: Traveling in a turn-of-the-century vehicle, David Snyder, Loree Oaks, Sabrina Farris and John Hallford prepare for an ascent into the past.





# of Significance



The term "Panther Heritage: A Century of Significance" represents the one hundred years that students have shared in the Pride of Modesto High School.

When MHS first began its ascent into the educational world, eager members of the Class of 1883 started the traditions which have become the heritage of today. In the year of Modesto High's birth, 1883, the overall atmosphere was much different than it is today. The one-building, 12-grade school was located on 14th Street. In 1900 a two-story high school building was built at 12th and L, and in the fall of 1918, students moved to the present location where a new building had been erected, and the previous site became the Roosevelt School. The first graduating class was composed of only ten students, while the largest graduating class was 559 strong in 1953; records indicate that 20,833 students have graduated during the one hundred years.

In MHS's first few years it was not uncommon to see horses hitched in front of the school. The basic method of transportation was simply walking because the need for cars was not in existence. It took only one teacher and one classroom to meet the educational needs of the forty students who were enrolled that first year. Today it takes 90 teachers, counselors and administrators and 75 classrooms to educate the enrollment of nearly 1600 students.

One little known fact concerning Modesto High's past is that there was no mascot in the early years. In the early 1920's, the Panther was chosen as a fitting emblem to represent the traditions and pride of the school. Although the panther has not always been the mascot, it is as much a part of the 'significance' of Modesto High as the school itself.

Through the years MHS has progressed into one of the most prominent and certainly, the most long-standing school in Stanislaus County. The pride that is shared by each person who is associated with MHS is a rare quality of spirit that will be cherished and remembered in the years to come.



Left: Brian Kelly leaves his East Union opponent flat-footed as he executes an awesome slam-dunk.

Below: Color guard member Tina Miles waits for a signal from the drum major to begin the show.



Above: Smiling as he escorts his "steady" to class, Butch Elinburg carries Gina May's books as they walk together to sixth period.



# A Century of Significance



by David Snyder

Modesto High School has undergone many changes during its first century, of which the most noticeable is its appearance. The present facility is actually the fourth structure to serve as the high school "building," having been preceded by the 14th Street and 12th Street locations, and an earlier, 10-column building at the present location.

Now, as she embarks on her centennial year, MHS is expanding once again: the old Washington School site and the intervening pieces of property have all become part of the MHS campus. Staff and students looked forward eagerly to the actual moving day, which was repeatedly postponed. Inadequate parking, crowded classrooms and quonset huts remained for one more year, but at last the expansion became a reality!



Upper Left: Frank "Proof" Mancini led Modesto High's band to many national honors between 1924 and his retirement nearly 30 years later.

Center Left: Student Betty Darling poses with her family in front of the school in 1925.

Left: MHS girls have been playing volleyball

since the early 1900's.

Above: Yolanda Madrigal and Becky Peeper get into an early lead at a Cross Country meet.

Right: Ray Chavez joins the rest of the horn line in exhibiting their musical skills at a football halftime performance.



Social attitudes have also changed through the years. What is considered "acceptable" by the students and faculty today would have been thought shocking by a similar group of people just thirty years ago. The strict dress code, which was so firmly entrenched even during the fifties and sixties, was discontinued in the seventies. Cheerleading, which had always been a male prerogative, fell to a lovely young lady named Jenny (Martin) Ketchum in 1953; a co-ed activity during the sixties and early seventies, that domain has now been almost completely taken over by the girls.

Another change that has taken place recently is the institution of a smoking area, commonly referred to as "Marlboro Country." As recently as ten years ago, the use of tobacco anywhere on campus would have been severely

punished. Then, in the fall of 1977, the City School Board authorized the designation of an on-campus smoking area at each of the high schools. A controversial move, it was nonetheless followed three years later by authorizing a "designated chewing area" at each school.

Despite the changes that have taken place, Modesto High is as proud of the accomplishments of her past as those of today. She has achieved outstanding significance of nearly every description connected with an institution of learning, and the pride which students and alumni alike feel in that accomplishment carries them through days of less brilliant glory. Panther attitudes and appearances will always continue to change. But one thing will remain the same throughout the next century—the Panther Heritage of MHS.



Upper Left: John Hallford concentrates on rapid writing to increase the word count at the Journalism Write-A-Thon  
Upper Right: Rhonda Albright and Denise Presley wear trash bag dresses and blender-dried hair for Punk Rock Day

Above Left: Editor Jeremy Shutman hangs signs to advertise the sale of the Centennial Sycamore  
Above Right: U.S. congressional candidate Ed Bates speaks to MHS seniors during his October 1982 campaign

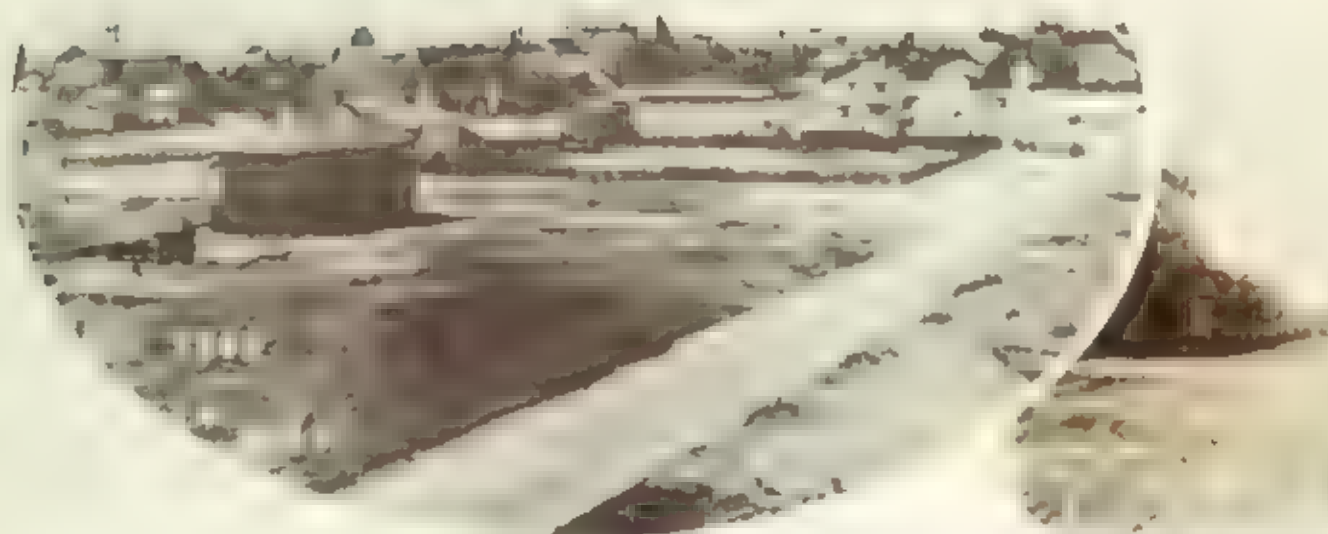


Right: A view of east J Street from 10th Street in 1885.

Below: Modesto's "Paradise Valley" accounted for 1/10 of the California wheat crop in the 1880's.

Lower Left: A view northwest from 16th and J Streets in 1885 shows the growth of the city in 100 years.

Lower Right: A view west on I Street from 12th shows the board sidewalks and dirt streets still prevalent in downtown Modesto until after the turn of the century



## PANTHER HERITAGE: 1880-1900

by Dianne McHale

**I**n the early 1880's a far-sighted young man established a daring new educational program in borrowed quarters for a handful of volunteers.

Since only "grammar school" students were accommodated at the first school in Modesto, the principal, Professor R. S. Holway, established a high school division for those wishing to continue their education beyond the eighth grade. The idea of a school to provide older students with a way to further their education slowly spread among the early citizens.

In September of 1883, Modesto High was opened in the room upstairs above the elementary school located at 14th Street with an enrollment of 40 students. Eighteen years later, it was relocated in a building of its own at 12th and L Streets, with an enrollment of 81.

Although the original enrollment was of 40 students, attendance was strictly voluntary, and only 10 students were able to complete the required three-year course of study, which consisted of such subjects as algebra, geography, composition, US history, reading, and Latin. The first graduation exercises were held at Rogers Hall on 14th Street in May, 1886. In subsequent years there were from 5 to 17 graduates, except for 1887, when there were only 2, and 1893, when there were none. By 1900 there were 123 alumni of Modesto High School.

During the first ten years of MHS history, a variety of extracurricular activities such as present students enjoy was not available. Instead, students were generally involved in activities outside of school. Church and family were a central part of students' lives, so activities associated with these institutions were very popular. Family picnics on Saturday and Sunday afternoons, with a game of





Left: The Class of 1888 included George P. Schaffer, Albert Conneau, Amelia Marks, Isabelle Garlinghouse, Jennie Cameron, and Helen Kendal.

Above: The McHenry Mansion was built on open ground at the edge of the city in 1885.

Right: Sol P. Elias, a historian of Stanislaus County and mayor of the city of Modesto, was a member of the first graduating class in 1886.



baseball or croquet afterwards were common sights at Dry Creek.

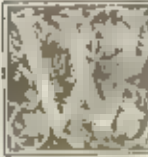
Dances and other musical functions were not supported by the school, so many students frequented the old Rousse Hall where community functions were often held. Many students who attended school at least part of the time also had to work to help support their families, resulting in little opportunity for their enjoyment of free time activities.

Over the century Modesto High has provided an excellent education to an estimated 100,000 students since the original class of 1883. MHS is still offering a comprehensive program along with a feeling of acceptance and dignity which can only be obtained by being a part of Panther Heritage.



# FORMATIVE YEARS: 1900-1920

by Philip Henry

 With the beginning of a new century came the seventeenth birthday of Modesto High School, and the move to its first permanent location, at 12th and L Streets. Controversy swirled around MHS even then, as citizens argued over the choice of a location for the new school "in the outskirts of town," but voted overwhelmingly to establish a high school district and issue bonds for the construction.

The young school began growing more rapidly than it had up to this time. In 1904 there were no graduates, as the school switched from the original three-year curriculum to the more standard four years. Seventy-one began their high school careers

in 1910, with a total enrollment listed at 133. By 1920 67 graduates were listed out of a total enrollment of 544.

A report in the 1914 Sycamore contained the following observation about a growing trend toward extracurricular activities: "Another thing which caused no little disturbance of school routine was the Farmers Institute in this city, January seventh to fourteenth. By the decree of some miraculous power, school children were permitted to attend; and as a result there suddenly arose in the breasts of a large number of the pupils an ardent desire to penetrate the mysteries of all that pertains to farm life. Even the girls caught the fever, and a preemptory interest in chicken raising (or was it lack of interest in oral English?) led a

Above: Elva Pointer, one of the most popular and active girls in the Class of 1913, earned an enviable reputation in dramatics, was an ardent worker on class committees, and served on the Sycamore staff

Right: Turn-of-the-century telephone operators pose at their two-station switchboard to display the complexity of their operation. It was not until the early 1900's that use of the telephone became popular and prevalent in private homes





Rights: John Cooper, editor of the first yearbook, and a graduate in 1911, warms up before a track meet in 1910. He later became a well known physician in Modesto.

merry bunch one afternoon to mingle with the staid farmers in the Board of Trade rooms. However, it is the firm belief that some good was done by this Institute." Some of the best farmers in the state of California started here in Modesto, after serving four years as students at Modesto High School.

Farming was not the only thing on students' minds. They had begun to organize clubs and activities for after school enjoyment, such as the Athletic Association, Debating Club, or Literary Society, much like the clubs of today. The first "Year Book" was published in 1910, and during the teen years student government and athletics also became well established.

World War I took many of the junior and senior boys, and several faculty members, away from the school, and the Influenza epidemic closed the school twice during the winter of 1918-19.

In 1919 the new Modesto High School was opened to the students. Now the school was thirty-seven years old, and the Roaring Twenties rolled in.



Left: Chester Hansen was the business manager of the 1919 Sycamore.

Below: Ruth Goddard was a member of the 1919 Sycamore staff as well as being involved in dramatics and debating.



Left: Leslie H. Wallis was a senior in 1917, the last year high school students attended classes on the old campus.

Far Left: The City Water Towers, built in 1893, were a landmark for many years.





Right: MHS students in 1919 eagerly await the introduction of a guest speaker

Below: The 1924 Yearbook Editor was Herbert Paul

Lower Center: 1920 graduate Neva Enid Garrett displays the start of the "flapper" look



Right: Drama was a popular activity during this era, as can be seen from this 1940 yearbook candid

Second Right: The 1921 MHS Championship Football Team





# IN THE SPOTLIGHT: 1920-1940

by Denise Presley

**D**uring the years between 1920 and 1940, Modesto High really began to shine. Outstanding in everything from academics to clubs and from sports to spirit, the "Red and Black" was constantly in the spotlight.

Covering a wide range of interests, school clubs were a valuable part of Modesto High School's student life. The clubs at Modesto during the twenties and thirties included everything from the University Preparatory Club to the Cinema Club, Senior International Club, and Pan American Club.

Two famous extra-curricular organizations known throughout the county and state were Debate and Band. The Debaters from MHS won numerous awards, including the coveted Central California Public Speaking Cup in 1925, '26, '27, '32, '35, and '39. Throughout this period they always placed first, second or third in the league, taking third in the 1931 State Championship tournament.

The MHS Band, under the baton of Frank Mancini, was not only known statewide, but nationally also. They participated in many competitions, placing second in national competition for two years in a row. They occupied the state champs' seat in 1924, '25, '27, '28, and '29; finally, they were in-

vited to perform a special concert at the Sacramento competition rather than out-class the other schools.

Another very important aspect of student life during those years was sports: football, baseball and track for boys; tennis, field hockey and basketball for girls.

In 1921 the MHS football team competed in the state championship game, losing to Oakland Technical High School, 5 to 3. That match was the only high school loss in the MHS season. A top-secret organization set out to select a suitable title for the championship team. After weeks of suspense, the group bestowed the now-famous name of "Panthers" on the team. Since that time, the Panther has been the mascot of Modesto High.

During the twenties and thirties the spirit at MHS was at its peak. There was almost 100% participation in clubs and sports. Nearly every student in school was involved in at least one club, making the school day full of activities. The community took great pride in the only high school in town, eagerly attending the many recitals and plays that took place at the MHS auditorium. Students worked very hard to make the entertainment enjoyable to all who attended. Even then, the spirit and pride of MHS soared.



Left: The main building of the MHS campus during the twenties and thirties as seen from the street near the present sidewalk into the Industrial Education wing.

Above: The caption for this 1934 yearbook candid states that "Pansy" Boyd had to wear that Bow-Keep tie to school for five days. We wonder why!" So do we.



# RADICAL CHANGES: 1940-1960

by Jason Kanar

**F**rom 1940 to 1960 there were many changes in student life at Modesto High. The events that influenced these changes ranged from the Second World War in the early forties to the Red Scare of the fifties.

World War II affected students in various ways. Many Modesto High students helped the war effort by enlisting in the armed forces and going overseas to fight. Others stayed at home and helped in war bond drives or other civilian activities. Recreation was limited during the war years because of the severe rationing, but students still managed to have fun by participating in sports and other school related activities. During this time Modesto won several league championships against their arch-rival Turlock.

After the war ended in 1945, the country, including Modesto, prospered. Rationing was over and gas was cheap. Students began to do things not possible during the war because of shortages of gas. These included going to drive-ins and other car-related places of entertainment. It was during these post-war years that driver education and driver training were first offered at Modesto High.

Then in 1950 the Korean war brought an era of paranoia. Students in Modesto went to dances,

went out on dates, and did other things that were considered 'normal.' They were afraid to do anything that would be non-conformist for fear of being called a Communist and being black-listed. Fortunately these witch-hunts ended in the early fifties and things began to settle down.

Enrollment grew rapidly during the late 40's and early 50's, and new construction barely kept pace. Quonset huts joined the classroom scene, to reappear frequently in subsequent years. During this frenzied period, Modesto High School got some new competition because of the opening of Downey High. Modesto now had a cross-town rival but still had little trouble winning many different sports championships.

As the 50's drew to a close, one of the major activities of Modesto High's students was cruising. This was illustrated in the movie *American Graffiti* which was based on a night in Modesto, and which, with modifications, remains a favorite activity today.

During this twenty year period, Modesto High persevered through many trials and tribulations. Through it all the students retained the spirit that MHS students have always had. As long as we keep this spirit, our school will remain the great institution it has been for the past 100 years.



Above: In a special ceremony, Cal Purviance presents the Bee-KBEE Sac-Joaquin trophy to the captains of the 1956 championship football team

Right: Patty Clougher and Tom Halloway were the recipients of the best physique award in 1949







Left: Panthers show their spirit at a 1956 football game

Below: Voted Best Looking Girl Koni Nugent displays the hairstyle typically worn by girls in 1960

Lower Center: The Best Looking Boy for 1960, Danny Layne sports the popular style of dress for guys



Second Left: An interested group of students in a 1952 shop class learn the basics of auto mechanics



Left: Typing was a popular class in 1952



# AGING GRACEFULLY: 1960-1980

Right: Best All Around Seniors for 1961 Pat Snivers and Dennis Elwess introduce the look of the sixties.

Below: The fashion of the late sixties is displayed by Vernon Gant and Linda Brughelli in 1966



by Stephanie Frazier



any changes have occurred at MHS in the last twenty years. Students today have different attitudes toward fashion, sports, social life, and extra-curricular activities.

At the start of the sixties, most students were involved in numerous clubs and select groups of people. Being yourself was not always easy, though, for fashion tastes were limited due to the strict dress code. Girls were required to wear dresses or skirts below the knee, while boys were to be in clean shirts with collars and slacks during each school day. This dress code was discontinued when the seventies came along, making it possible for students to wear anything they liked, as long as it didn't interfere with their education.

Students' social lives were very important to them, as they are today, although going out on a date was of a little different nature than it is now. An evening out might have taken the following form: guy picks up girl, takes her to Burgies, the favorite burger joint, then off to the drive-in to see a preferred scary flick. A kiss on the doorstep back home made the evening complete.

The sixties were filled with turmoil and tearful times. Protest and rebellious groups fought for

causes of all kinds. The biggest bulk of protesting was due to the Vietnam War in 1965. Thousands of young men resisted the draft by marching and chanting and burning their registration cards. Protests against this most unpopular war in our nation's history did not end until 1975, when the war itself drew to a close.

A big shock to all were the tragic deaths of John F. Kennedy and Martin Luther King. The dreams and hopes of a new "Camelot" died with these men, and the nation suffered a long period of mourning.

But not all happenings during the sixties were sad, for MHS had a great 10 years in sports. In 1965 the varsity football team took the CCC championship. There were also many winning seasons for baseball, basketball and track. The Panthers pulled out two city championships in 1972, and the '73 varsity football team had a near-perfect record, losing only to Turlock at the end of the season.

The spirit at MHS during those twenty years evolved into a more mellow attitude. Gone was the wild and frenzied involvement with school activities so prevalent in the past; instead, students preferred their social activities outside the formal school setting, secure in the knowledge that MHS continues to be the repository of Panther Pride.





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# A Century

by Debbie Bowling



Above: Posing in her graduation dress, Pat Willingham prepares to attend the 1953 commencement exercises.

Right: Preparing for a "turn-of-the-century" breakfast, Nora Milchen watches closely as Debbie Bowling pours a cup of milk for Jeremy Shuman at the McHenry Museum.





# of Association

**I**n the early days of MHS history, pupils faced a cut-and-dried education of academic rigidity. There were no elective courses or extracurricular activities, and attendance was completely voluntary. Everyone strove to "master their lessons," never questioning the subject matter. Because the Modesto community was not very large, there was little social life within the city. Seldom did an MHS student stay out of school just for fun. Absence was for one of three reasons: illness, participation in the harvest or other family-related jobs, or lack of appropriate clothes, shoes, or books.

Because teenagers have always felt a need to gather together socially, MHS soon became the liveliest spot in the community. Students made it their workshop and their beehive. It was not many years before they were planning all sorts of activities with which to entertain themselves in the afternoons and evenings.

In autumn they rallied together, going on hayrides or picnics. When weather turned wet, windy, and cold, indoor folk dances were held. There were also taffy pulls, spelling bees, plays and recitals to occupy students' spare time. "Freshies" watched in amazement as their older classmates participated in activities that were marks of seniority, including May Day dances and drill team performances. All of these brought the pupils together, forming what we now call student life.

The annual watermelon feed, put on by the Juniors and Seniors for the underclassmen, began in the late 1890's. It was supposed to be a huge picnic with floats, but that turned out to be complicated as well as expensive, so they settled on the simplicity of a school-wide melon feed, which was popular for many years.

During the war years, students survived with the help of friends, neighbors, and schoolmates; teachers and rules were strict. The period of the twenties brought a rapidly expanding student population and student activity program, as the high school became the social center for the entire community, a program so thoroughly accepted that even the depression years barely daunted its scope.



Left: Getting into the spirit of things, Lisa Dickson walks blindly across campus in her "Crazy Day" outfit.

Below: Newly enrolled MHS students search for classes on Freshman Orientation Day.



Above: "Suckers" Sean Wani and Dalinda Angelo are persuaded to buy an inferior model Used Yearbook off the lot at the fall Sycamore Assembly.

Above: Chester Seely poses in the typical attire of the early fifties, a T-shirt with sleeves rolled up, and blue jeans with cuffs turned in.



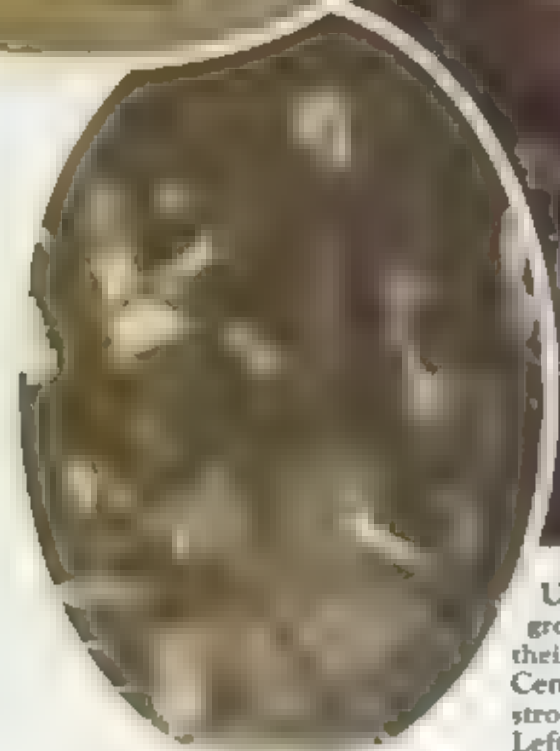
# A Century of Achievement



by Nora Milchen

ever-ending homework, impossible tests, and struggling through crowded halls. A place to acquire knowledge—or new friends. The biggest social event of the year, or a place just to pass the time. A place to expand an education or just get a passing grade.

Highlights of an MHS schoolday are simple: nutrition break, lunch, and 2:10! The break is welcome, but in most cases hardly nutritional. On the other hand, lunch at MHS is a serious matter. The lunch bell signals the start of a race, with students rushing to get off campus. Some don't really care where they're going; they just want to leave. For those staying behind, it's a race to the snack bar. Unless they're speedy or have sharp elbows, they spend half the period in line, hoping to get what they want before it's sold out. At 2:10, relieved



Upper Left: In a picture from 1936, a group of students in a spring play show their enthusiasm for MHS.

Center Left: Turn-of-the-century students stroll to an afternoon ball game.

Left: Dramatics played an important part in MHS history, beginning with the completion of the first auditorium in 1918.

Above: A group of spirited sophomores fill the bleachers and show their pride at the Fall King's rally.

Right: "The S & M Crusaders," more commonly known as Johnny Klink, Phil Cearly, and Rod Wheeler, whip into action on Crazy Day.



students rush to the buses and head on home.

During after-school hours, some students do homework, while others kick back, watch TV, or pig out. Yet not all students go home right away. From 2:10 to 5:00 many students still occupy the campus, either practicing for a sports team or a spirit squad, or working for rally or a class or club activity which can't be squeezed into the regular day. This kind of dedication keeps many extra-curricular activities going at MHS, even though a smaller percentage of the student body participates than was true fifty years ago.

When the weekend comes, students finally get some time to do with as they please. People differ in how they spend their free time. Some like getting together in a group, others with a cozy date. There is always a party to crash,

sometimes lasting all weekend long. Dances, movies, sports events, cruising, church activities: whatever students do on their nights and weekends is up to them, and that is the best part for most, making up their own minds.

What the future holds for student life is hard to predict. Will MHS survive another hundred years? Will there be an 80's Dress-Up Day thirty years from now? Will students still have the traditional three R's, or will people be so technically advanced that school will be taught by home computers? Will students still anxiously plan for their very first cars, or will they have some form of space-mobiles with which to cruise to nearby planets for the weekend? The answers to these questions will only come to future Sycamore readers, providing students are still buying their yearbooks.

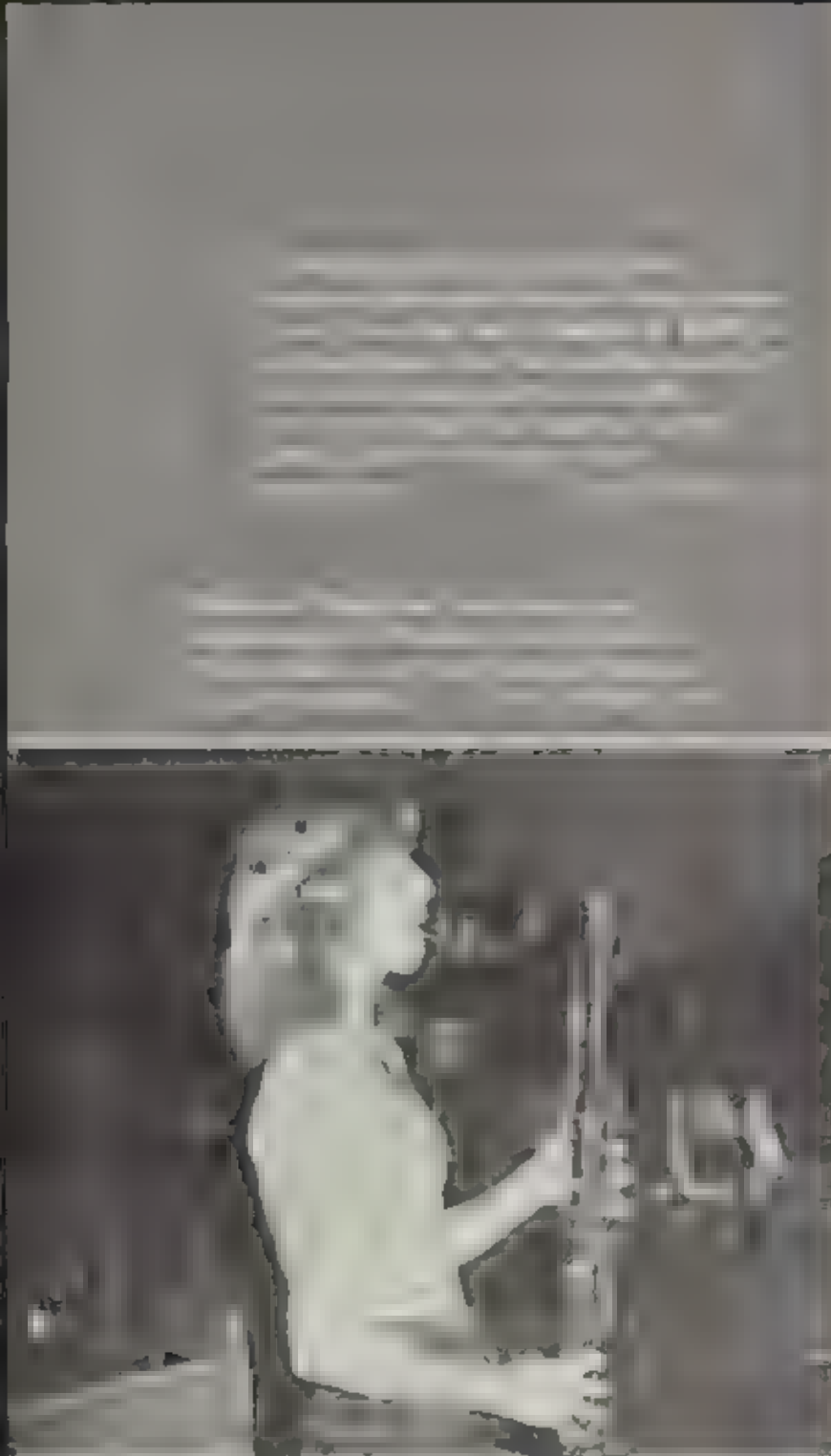


Upper Left: Modesto's main night spot and favorite drag strip on the weekends is McHenry Avenue

Upper Right: Bobby Norton shows off his 62 GMC pickup truck in front of the school at lunch time

Above: Homework can be time-consuming for many students, but Rod Laird and Inez Sullivan find time to study in the library





## Celebrating a Century

**W**hen students were asked how they felt about attending Modesto High during its Centennial, two points became very clear: Pride for having been able to attend the oldest and best school in Modesto, and "being able to express oneself." In responses from nearly four hundred students, these attitudes were considered the most important part of high school life, the binders that held the student body together.

Other responses ranged from an expression of pride for being able to graduate during Modesto High's one hundredth birthday to "makes no difference to me; school is school."

The few negative responses were far outnumbered by the enthusiasm and pride that students take in their school, a pride magnified even more because of the centennial year.

"The 100th Birthday of Modesto High School provides our student body with a unique opportunity to share with the community the many contributions of MHS and its graduates. There is a very positive feeling about the tradition and pride of Modesto High School in our community and its role in the development of the greater Modesto area. We reflect on its wonderful past and look forward to the contributions of the next 100 years. The present staff and students of Modesto High School feel honored that we can share in this deserved recognition."

—Richard A. Lang, principal

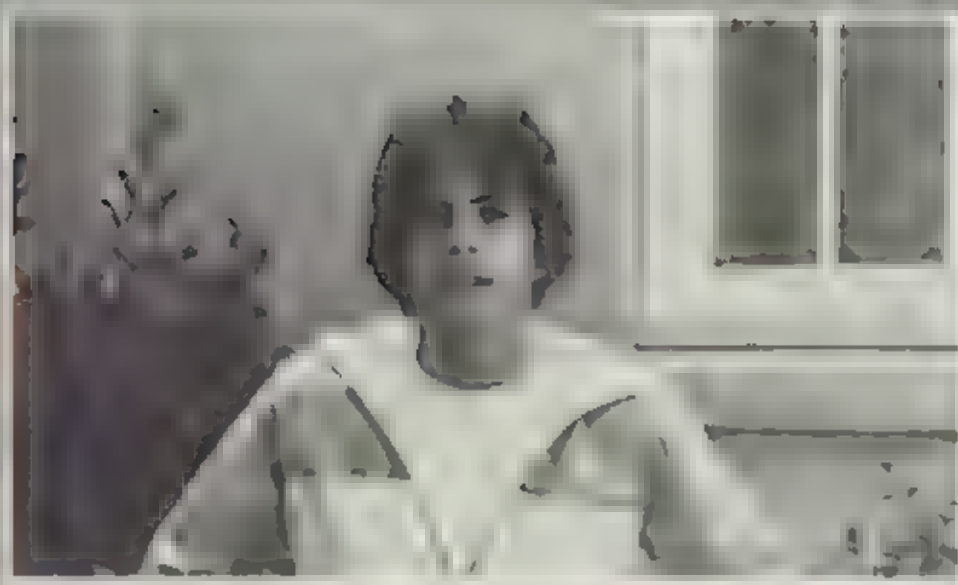
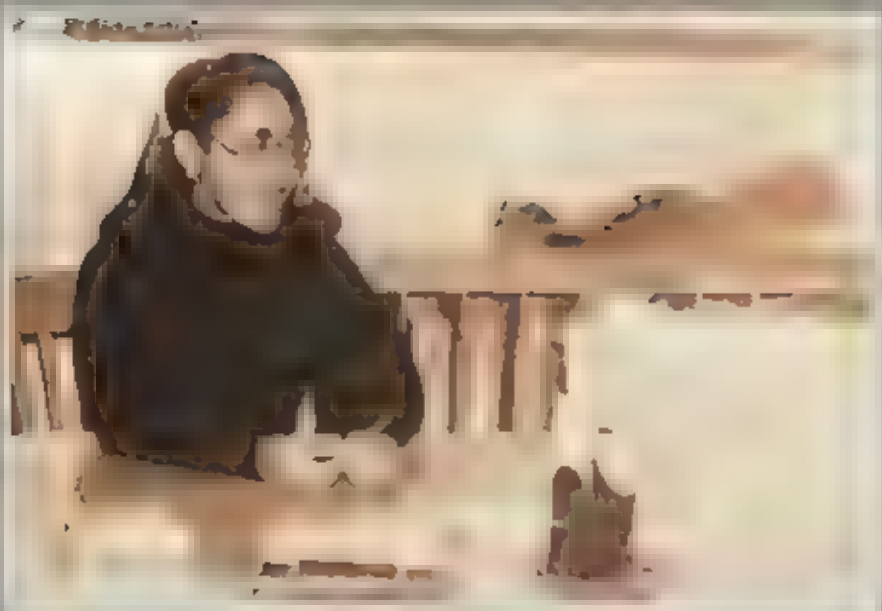
It's a wonderful honor being able to enter the home of the great Panthers of Modesto High, it's thrilling to think that someday I, too, will be a graduate.  
Linda Diaz (9)



The Centennial Logo is the winning design submitted by junior Richard Brunetti in a contest held in the spring of 1982. It is featured by the Centennial Committee in numerous ways, and is used in the yearbook to identify quotes from students similar to the ones featured on this page.



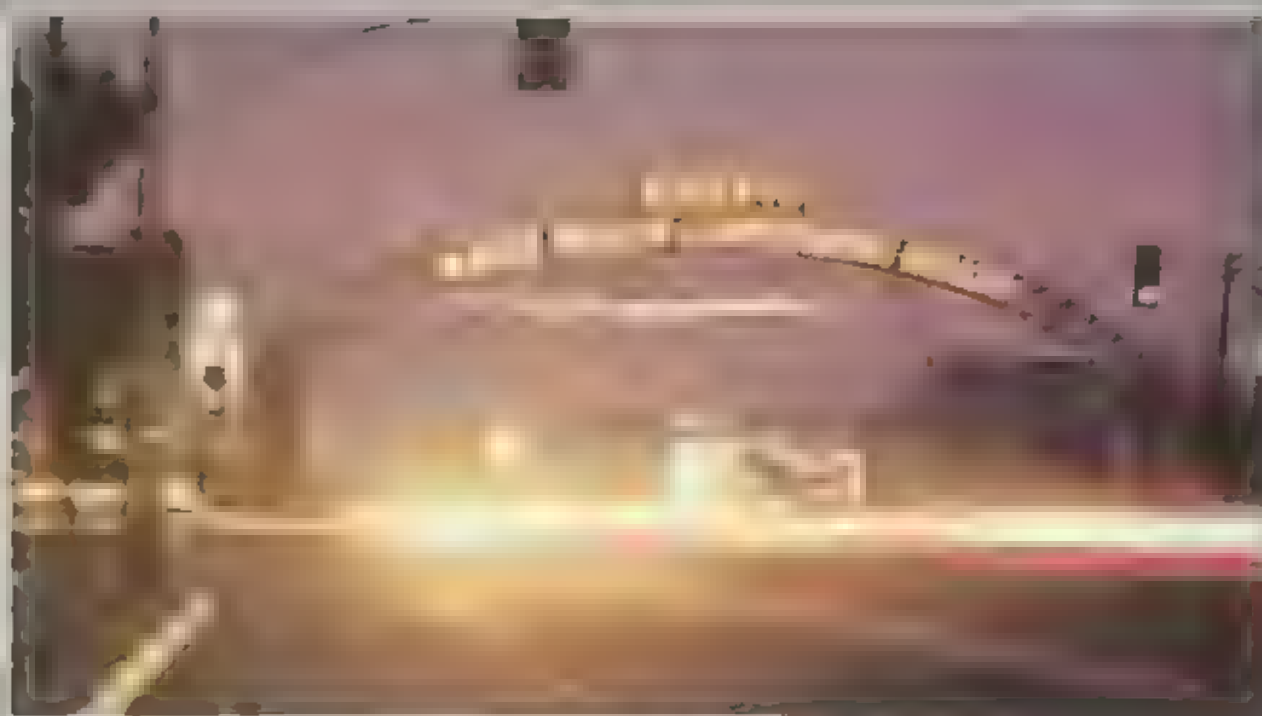




A Panther is a large wild cat; he is very strong, clever and skillful. Pride is a pleasurable feeling of satisfaction, dignity honor, and most of all, spirit. I am proud to be a Panther!  
Carla Jarvis (10)

I sincerely hope that MHS keeps on going for another 100 years because to me Modesto High is my second home  
Jose Vera (10)





## Around & About

**T**he environment of today is a complex one. It is one that the country is struggling to deal with, the environment is one of the major factors shaping students' personalities.

There are two different worlds in the environment. One is the industrial interests and the other is the more tranquil.

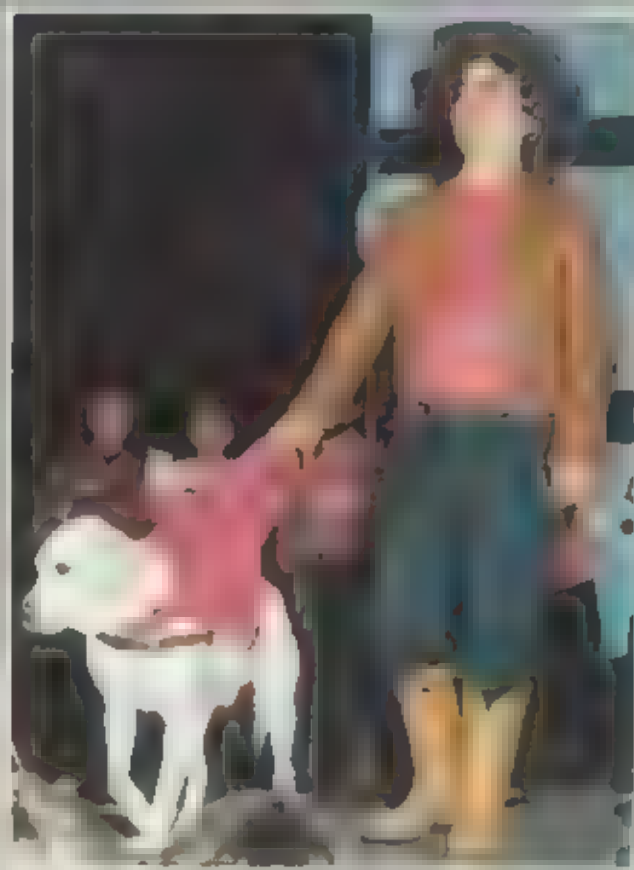
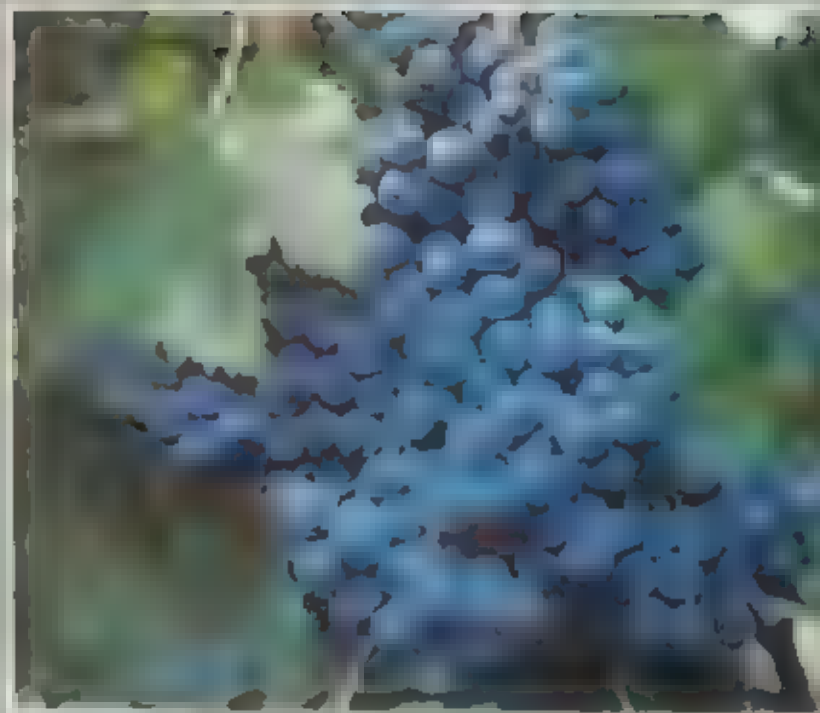
the city's pollution and improve its civic and cultural offerings.

Many of the activities in our community are related to MHS, such as the celebrations for the Centennial. In addition to the student activities of rallies, assemblies, dress-up days, and special "weeks," the community-wide Centennial Committee has planned a series of events.

Among the more important events are the Harvest Barbeque, the March Extravaganza on March 15, An Evening with James Brown on May 6, and the Centennial Week on May 15.

The outdoor activities and the events such as these and the other activities have shown for MHS have sent the Panthers off to a good start in their second century.





NEW! The new Modesto High School is a beautiful building with a large tree in front of it. The new school is a beautiful building with a large tree in front of it.

Veronica Vasquez, Leslie Anglin, Lori Howell, Chris Bell and Michelle Simar join in the fun of Crazy Day

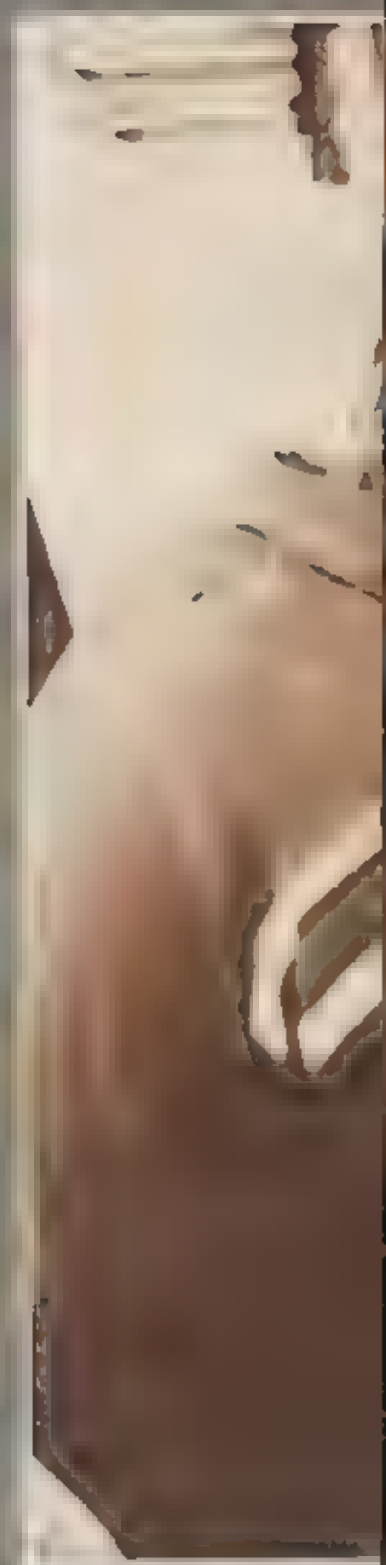
Center David Alsher takes a break from his job as he was for the Panthers to receive a reward of the bill.



Modesto High means a lot of new things to me, especially its traditions. The Centennial Celebration makes my entrance into MHS even more memorable.  
—Bobby Dollar







## Hitting the Books

by John Halford

**A**lthough academic and elective courses have changed greatly over the years, the books with which they are taught have remained much the same, with periodic updates in form or method or facts. Their purpose has also remained the same: to instruct students in academic areas, to teach special skills, and to teach special skills. This is true both in such courses as English and mathematics on the academic side and electronics and drafting on the elective or vocational side.

Regardless of what type of course they were taking, students occasionally found it necessary to use textbooks. Whether the course was academic or vocational, required or elective, books were essential to the instructional program.

They have been and will continue to be, at least until computers become more economical, the backbone of the educational system. They are the repositories for every bit of factual information the world possesses. The ease with which books may be obtained made it possible for students to find almost anything they wanted to know about through research at the local library.

There was no substitute for studying if students expected to earn decent grades. From a few minutes to a few hours, nearly everyone spent their afternoons or evenings in reading and review for the next day, or tried to "sneak in a quick brush-up" at break or lunch time, for it was generally agreed that preparation was necessary for most classes.

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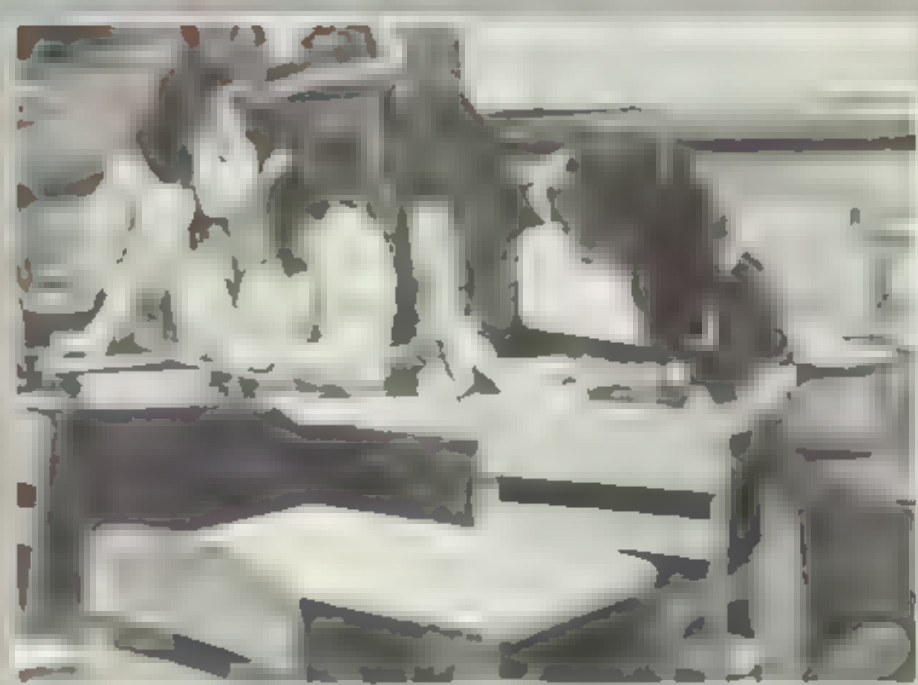
long played an important part in the lives of high school students. The activities of clubs and organizations were mainly centered around course offerings and athletic teams. These activities, although secondary to the basic educational program, played a large part in shaping students' lives. For some, extra-curricular activities took up more of their time than did academics.

MHS was fortunate to have many activities during the year which provided everyone an opportunity to participate, regardless of whether they belonged to an organization or not. As a result of the Centennial Celebration, students were strongly encouraged to participate in the festivities, of which there was a wide variety, with one or more suited to even the most discriminating taste.

High school is the place where you begin to prepare yourself for the future. I can't think of a better place than MHS to do just that!

—Sonia Cueto





Students and Miss Ruma prepare table project; children could participate in this type of class.

The library. Here, children can study. The Margaret J. Evanson Young Men's Club and Library for homework.





Left: Patricia and Bob Adams, James Robert Edwards, and Terrell Brown. Above: Terry and James Rose, and a group of people at a social gathering.

At a family reunion, a group of people are standing outdoors. In the foreground, a man in a red shirt is looking towards the camera. Behind him, several other people are standing, some looking at the camera and others looking away. The background is a lush green area with trees.





## Join the Crowd

by David Hodges

**W**hen I was a young boy, I remember the excitement of going to school. I was the first in my family to attend MHS. I remember the first day of school, the first day of the new year, the first day of the new semester. I remember the first day of the new year, the first day of the new semester. I remember the first day of the new year, the first day of the new semester.

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My generation is the first to attend MHS. All five of my older brothers and sisters have graduated. It is very exciting to be a student at this school, and I'm glad that I was here for the Centennial Celebration  
—Esteban Martinez





## Gotta Get a Job

by Tommy Warren

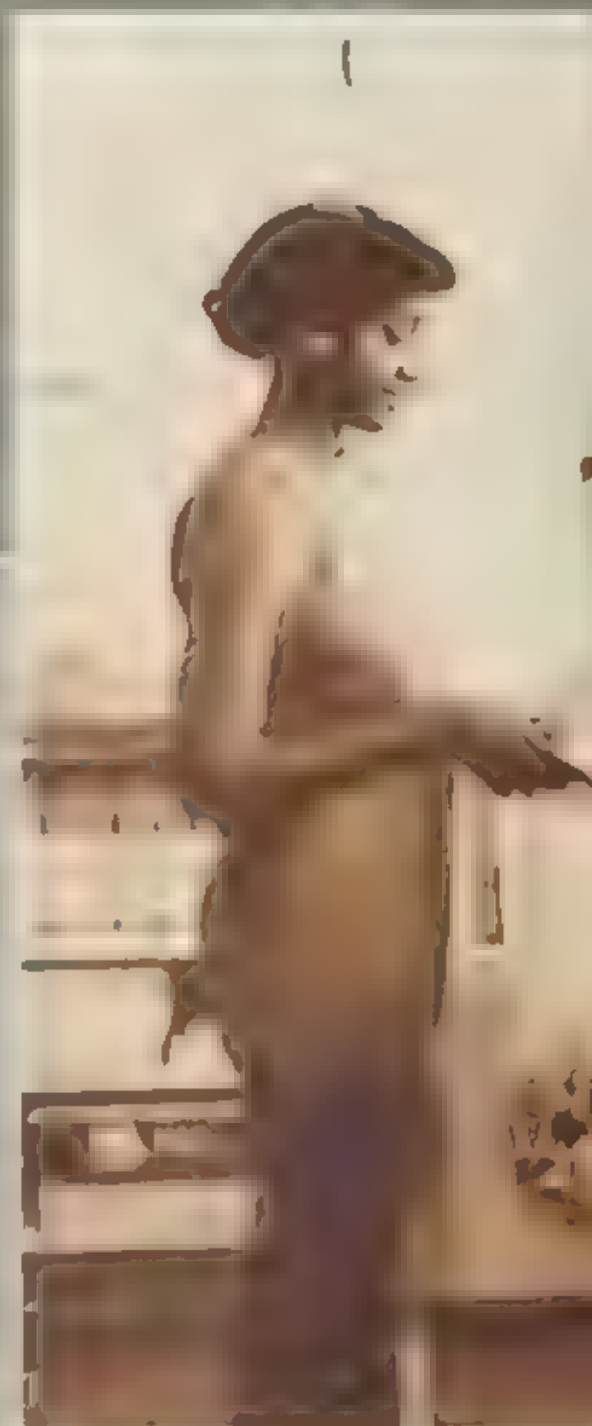
**D**uring the time spent in high school, students learn the reality of seeking jobs and providing transportation. Getting to school is done by walking, driving, or riding the bus or a bicycle. Nearly everyone uses numerous ways of travel to school and their respective jobs.

Besides the frustration of having to pay a \$30 activity fee in order to participate in most extra-curricular activities at school, a transportation fee was added to the list. Starting November 15, students were asked to pay 50 cents a day to travel to and from school on the bus. If they didn't want the hassle of buying daily passes, their alternative was to purchase an all-year pass for \$67.50. Despite many valid complaints against it, and a general reduction in the number of students riding the buses, the

fee appeared set to become another part of everyday school life.

Jobs made many students' social lives a little easier by giving them extra money to spend on some of those hard-to-come-by "necessities." Sometimes the Regional Occupational Program, ROP, introduced students to career and job opportunities by providing "in-the-field" educational experiences. The Work Experience program enabled students to acquire on-the-job training and the experience they need to obtain the kinds of jobs they're looking for. The search for an ideal job discouraged many students, but ROP and Work Experience made the hunt a little easier.

Although good jobs and easy transportation are hard to come by while in high school, students do the best they can to cope and stay sane at the same time.





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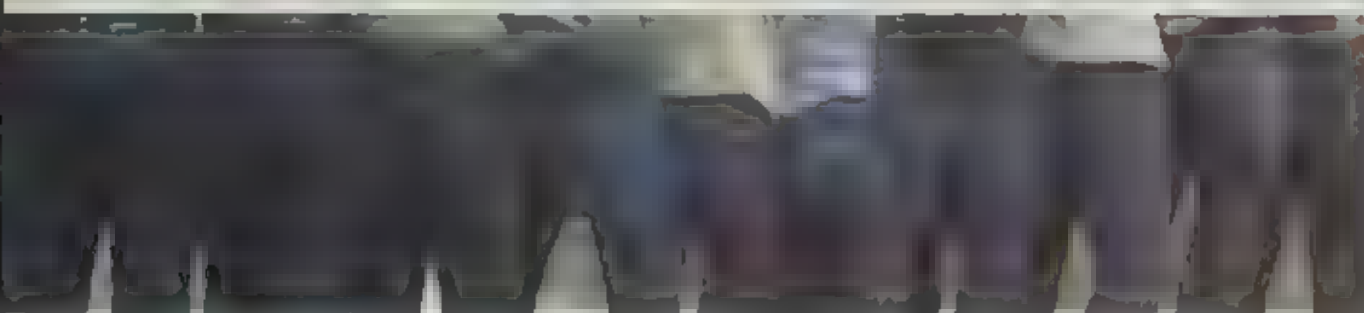
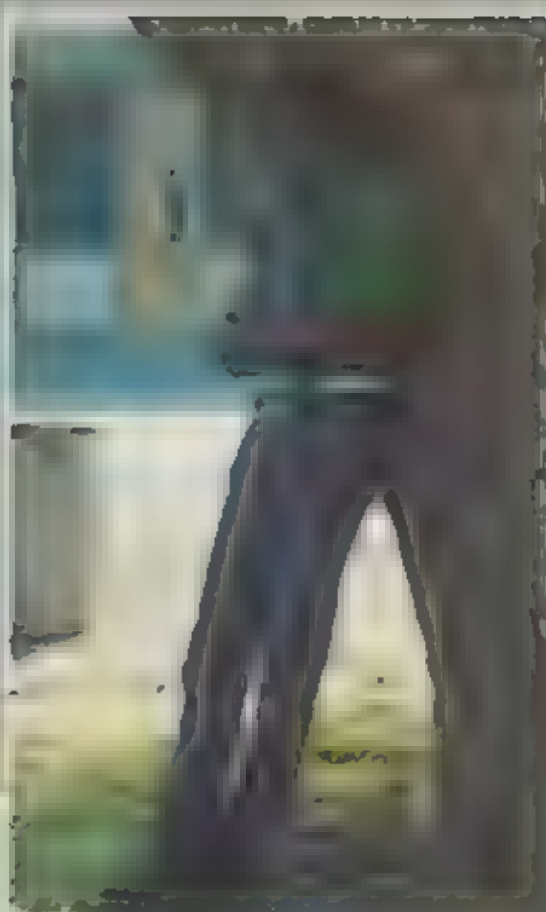
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Cynthia Cisneros purchases one of the controversial Bus Passes from Mrs. Sharon Fujii in the Bookroom.

Extra Police Guards in the Cafeteria at the Gate to the Cafeteria





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During class



Students wearing Western Look clothing



Students wearing New Wave clothing



# Stylin' to the Max

**T**hey say that clothes make the person and personalities are etched in the clothes of their wearers. Students at MHS are no exception. Each tries to wear the clothes that best reveal his or her own personality. From Western to New Wave, Panthers have it all. Despite the inroads of some new fashions, many old ones remained very much in vogue this year. The Western Look was still popular, especially with the Aggies. Traditional western shirts were worn with blue jeans, cowboy boots and a hat or cap completed the outfit. Junior Martin McCarthy, who likes the Western Look, stated, "I like the Western Look because it shows my ruggedness and expensive belt which has my name on it. It's got class." The Prairie look was popular with

the girls. A sort of modified Western Look, the outfits consisted of a ruffled or western blouse with a skirt and cowboy boots. Blue jeans were still popular around campus. The Preppie look hasn't made a very big impact, but just the same, it was always possible to see shirts being worn with a fox, alligator, or other insignia on them. A pair of 501's went well with the shirts after you'd washed them 3 or 4 times like the label says. There were other styles too, such as lowrider, casual, or just plain sloppy. The latest was the New Wave look. If you like combining mini-skirts, polka-dots, and pump heels, this was 'The Style' for you. "I like the New Wave look, especially the mini-skirts. I think they look good on everyone," stated

junior Kashmir Gill. A fashion accessory that has remained popular for several years is hats. As usual, this year there were all kinds of styles to match the different personalities of students. From baseball and farmer caps to bandanas worn around the head, and from plain to extremely fancy cowboy hats, each student wore their favorite headgear proudly. Hair styles, just as clothing styles, varied. Whether worn long or short, in a perm or feathered, in an afro or curled all the way around, students cared about presenting the best appearance they could. Fashions come and go; each year there are scads of new styles. But no matter what MHS students were wearing, you could be sure we were stylin' to the max.





"Varnet Buddies" Clarence Cunha, Richard Dedrick Ryan Dunscomb, Aaron Lucero, and Irvin Chalk get together to prove the pleasures of wearing \$70 sunglasses

Two of the best-known "MHS Cruisers" are Jeff Creighton and Bobby Norton, who use up a tank of gas every couple of days just driving around the school

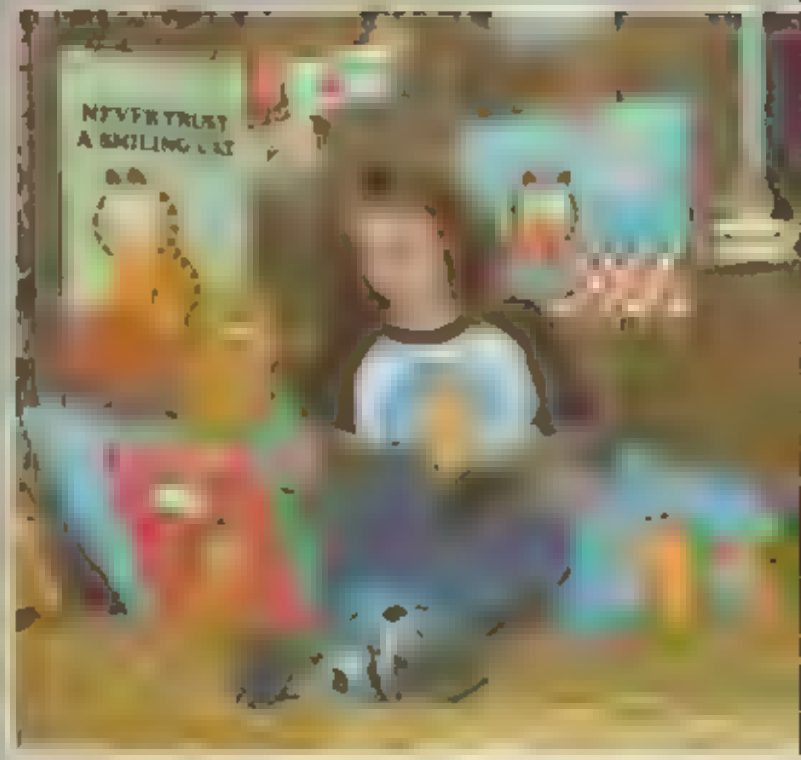
Enraptured by their trip to the theater, Chni McLaugh and Bobby Norton feel that they are now prepared to talk about it



I come from a whole family of MHS students, and I am a proud pupil of a super school

—Dianne McHale





## Spirit to Spare

by Paula Peepers

**F**er sure, like gag in a thespian's mouth it's like, tubular. A few years ago, this type of speech was confined to the song "Vicious" by Moon Zappa and caught on quickly around MHS. At first people called it crudelty, but it soon became a habit and it has become one of the most popular fads of the year.

Another popular fad was wearing varnished sunglasses. Originally designed for skiers, guys and girls found them very fashionable to wear everywhere, not to mention on the beach.

After a football game, a pizza parlor was the place to congregate to discuss that evening's victory or defeat. Then, it was off for a little cruisin' and home before curfew.

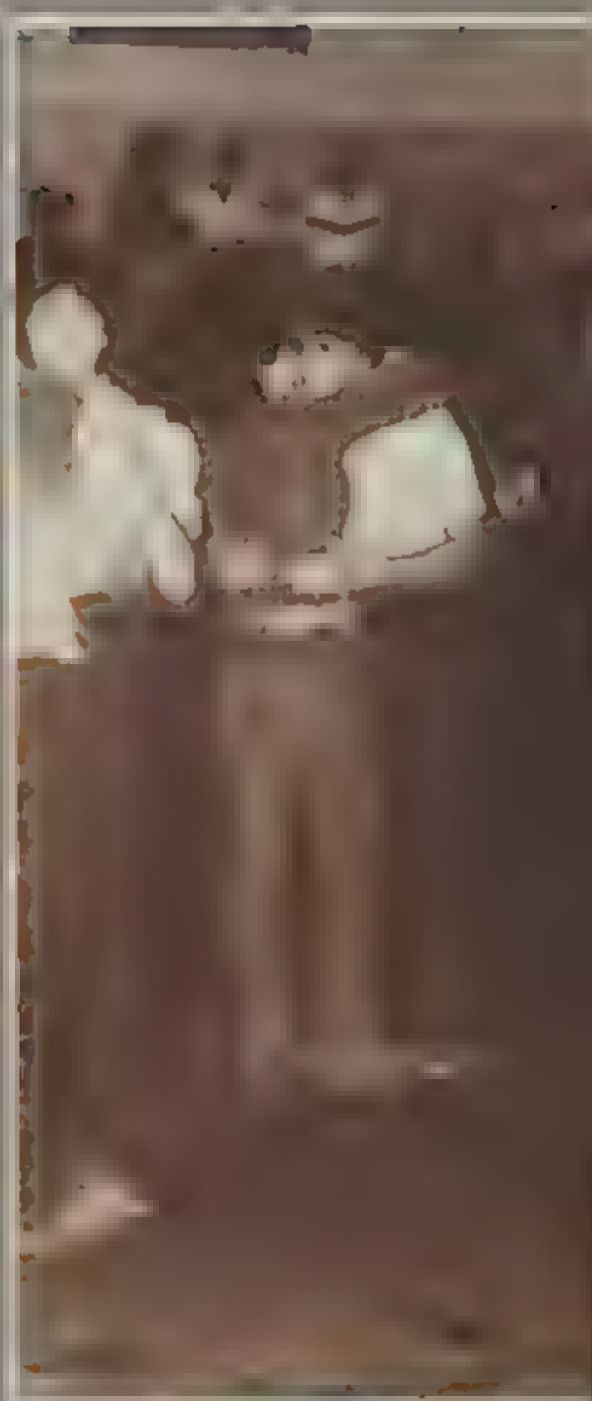
Cruising McHenry has been around for a long time, but MHS students invented a new cruising style.

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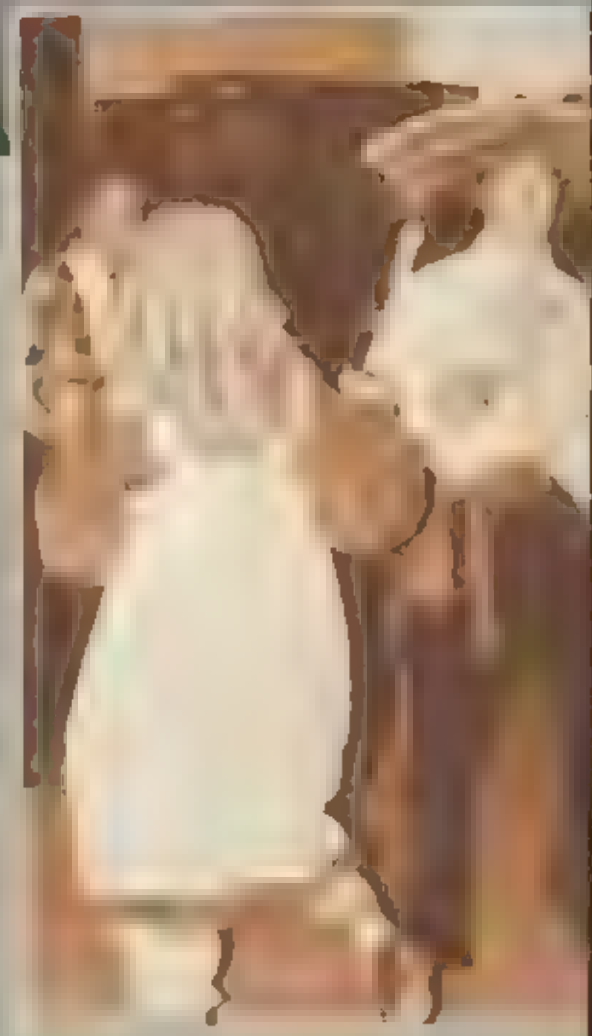
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Stephanie Wood, Gregg Reim, Clint McCullough, Paula Peepet, Robert Berry, Dianne McHale and Stephanie Heersink enjoy the music at the Turkey Trot

At the MASA-sponsored Halloween Dance, Beatriz Peral and her guest Alfonso Zepeda enjoy their costumes as well as the music





# Into the Swing of Things

by Janica Emig

**T**hroughout the year, students eagerly accepted the diversion and excitement of "live" entertainment by attending the many dances that were sponsored by various groups or clubs at MHS.

Beginning the new year right, the Student Council-sponsored Back To School Dance, held on September 20th, was attended by approximately two hundred students with music provided by Master Promotion. The variety of music at this dance kept everyone happy and dancing. The Homecoming Dance was the second dance of the year. Sponsored by the General Rally, it was held on October 15th, and was also a well-attended dance. On October 30th, MASA sponsored a Halloween Dance. A very large crowd showed

up for this dance, with many people wearing their costumes, which made it fun. Prizes were given to the best costumes.

The Turkey Trot is a popular dance at MHS. This year, it was also a great success. It was held on November 13th and sponsored by the General Rally. The cost for this dance was \$5.50 per couple with student body \$6.00 per couple with guest. Master Promotion provided the music for the students and guests. Thanksgiving at MHS was a great success.

The Christmas Dance was held on December 15th and was also a great success. It was sponsored by the General Rally. The cost for this dance was \$5.50 per couple with student body \$6.00 per couple with guest. Master Promotion provided the music for the students and guests. The Christmas Dance was a great success.

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The activities and history behind Modesto High seem to add a spark to my school year.

—John Bringas





## On the Town



by Jeff Bradley

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I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 11th inst. and in reply to inform you that the same has been forwarded to the proper authorities for their consideration. I am, Sir, very respectfully,  
 Yours, very truly,  
 J. M. Smith

the next light. Often, because of the tight security, they were unable to see. Adding to the excitement, they stood on the sidewalks waving and yelling comments to each other, hoping to catch a little attention. Unfortunately, some people got more attention than they wanted; being pulled over and given a ticket in front of all those people isn't the highlight of anyone's evening.

For those who didn't like using up their gas, taking a space in the parking lot and kicking back was the more popular

Coming out to eat with a date or a friend was another favorite of MHS students. Some preferred the fancy places that served steaks, like Early Dawn, Black Angus or Cask and Cleaver, while others liked the simplicity of a burger and a coke at

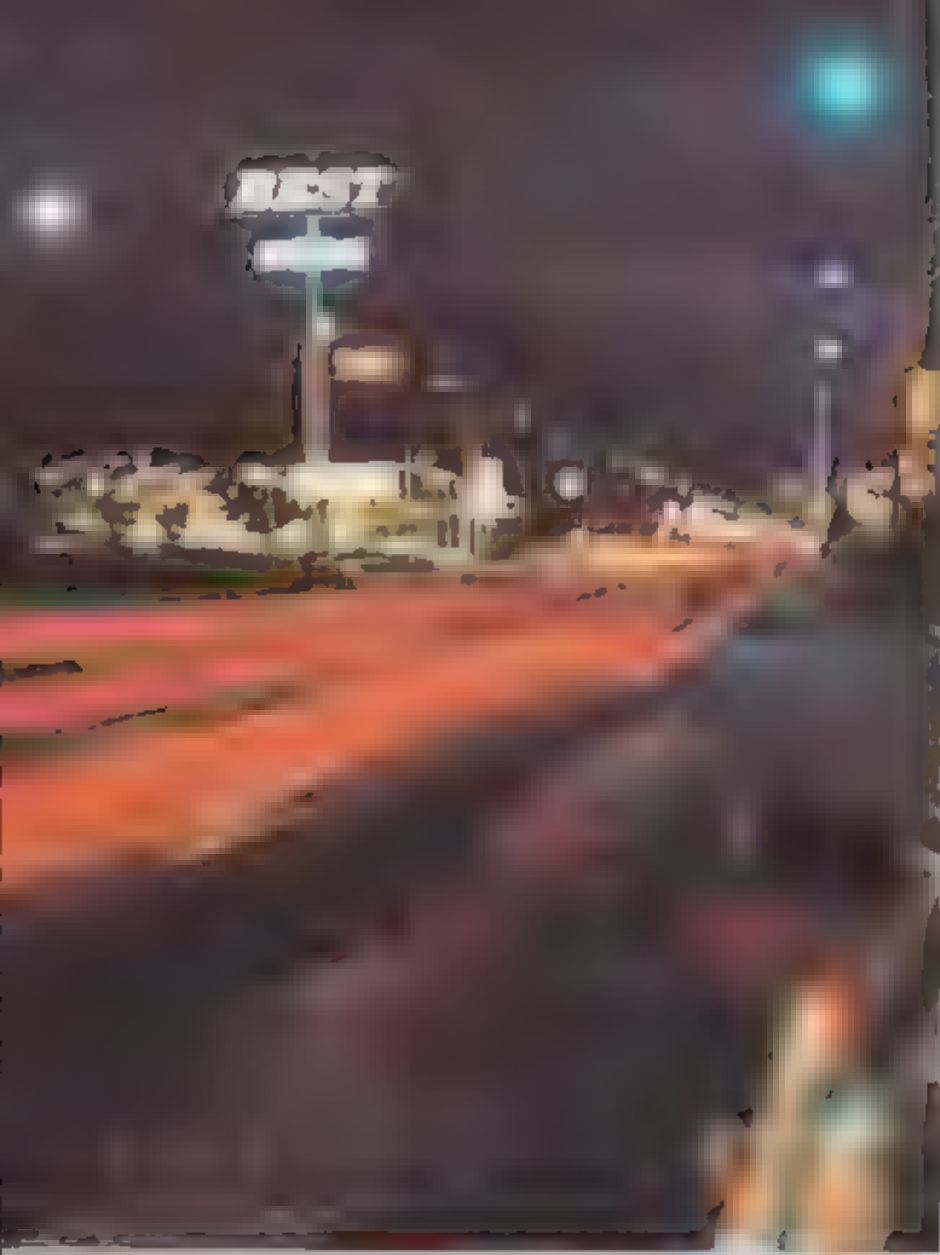
McDonald's or Jack in the Box.

On Friday nights during the fall, many Modesto High students could be found socializing at Shakey's after the football game. Hitting the video machines or watching the big screen television occupied their time until the team arrived, after which there were numerous simultaneous conversations about the game. When the excitement of winning or the depression of losing faded, people began to leave, usually going home, although a few energetic ones would hit some late night parties.

Night Life offered students a much needed time to recuperate from the frustration and demands of a hectic day at school. Doing the things they found enjoyable, with friends who shared the same interests, made high school life a little more rewarding.

To think of how long Modesto High has been alive is a great feeling to me just as it is to all its students through the years —Gina Bettencourt







Family Photo





The Howell family, Mary Ann Howell, mother of the first MHS Panther, Harry Howell, is seated in the front row. The family includes Mary Ann, Harry, and their children, all of whom attended MHS.

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## Third Generation Panthers



**T**he first students have occupied the classrooms at MHS. For many families, more than one generation has attended MHS during the course of the century. Among these students a few fall into the three-generation category, and still can claim a connection to the school.

For example, the family of Harry Howell, the first MHS Panther, has a long history at the school. Harry's father, Harry Howell, was a member of the first MHS Drill Team, back in 1939-40. Pulling out a snapshot, Mrs. Deadmond said, "In white satin shirts, red satin skirts, and bobby sox, we were really a sight! But what a lot of fun!"

Rex Freeman, grandfather of Sheryl and Jeff Hardenbrook, and the first of three generations to attend Hart Ransom as well as MHS, wasn't sure just what all the differences might be, but he was sure that "we were a lot smarter in those days!" After studying for a bit, he decided one big difference was chores and transportation for the country kids. "I wanted to go out for sports but I never got to. I asked my dad and he said 'That bus leaves when school is out and you'd better be on it. You've got cows to milk!'"

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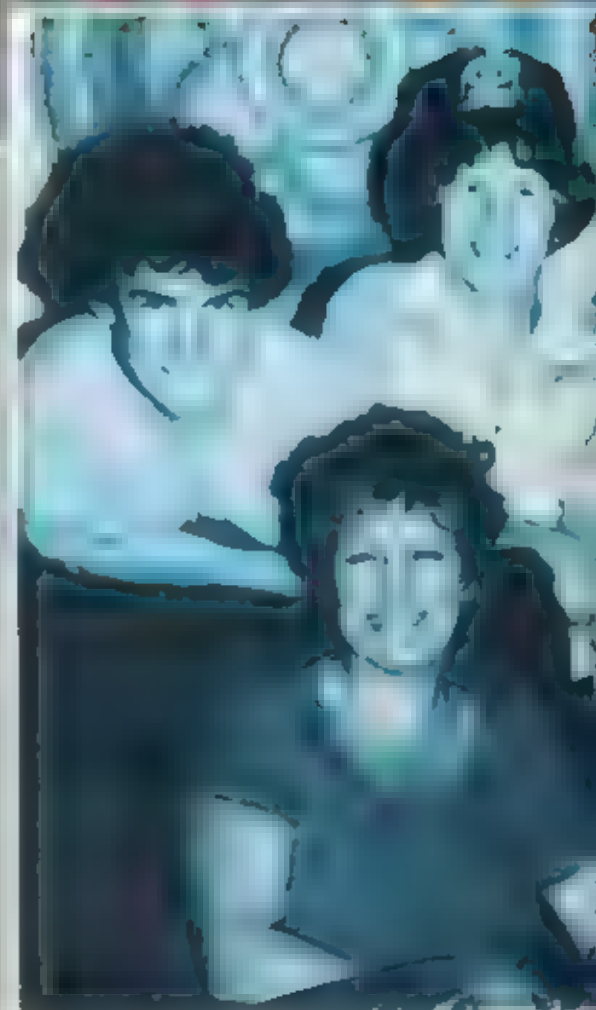
## More 3rd Generation Panthers

**by Phil Shuman**  
**T**he passing of time can't dim the memories of former MHS students whose own children and grandchildren have attended "Panther Territory." Many of them obviously enjoyed sharing their recollections with younger generations.

One of the more outstanding families is that of Harvey Hand, who graduated in 1926, and whose two daughters, Floriene Lubeck and Yvonne Wilson, graduated in 1948 and '49. This family is included, even though the youngest grandchild, Sandi Lubeck, graduated in 1971, because Yvonne Wilson is a faculty member at MHS. Counting the "in-laws," a total of 15 family members are graduates. Harvey recalls playing quarterback on the football team, and being offered a college scholar-

ship, but he graduated mid-term and played semi-pro baseball for two years on a farm team for the Yankees. He spent much of that time at Salt Lake City, where he caught for Lefty Gomez.

The Lee family probably has more family members who have attended MHS than any other. Their tally shows an amazing 57 individuals! Unfortunately, not all of them were able to graduate, for, as grandmother Barbara Louns Wiggins puts it, "Times were hard in those days, and soon as the boys got to be 16, they had to go to work." She herself attended MHS in 1937, and all 10 of her children attended here. Now most of her grandchildren have passed through the MHS halls, with only six students from three families currently in attendance.





**The Hoach Family:** grandmother Ceciel Van Norman Cowan Perkins, '31-'39; Kenny Hoach, '85; uncle Bill Cowan, '59. Kenny's parents did not attend MHS.

**The Mendonza Family:** Joe Mendonza, '83; Wilma Ivra Mendonza, '36-'37; Ron Mendonza, '59; Sharvi Mendonza, '85.

**The Hable Family:** Richard Hable, '86; Cheryl Rowe Hable, '64; Lloyd Hable, '85. Grandmother Wilma Books Rowe, '43, lives out of town and was unable to be in the picture.





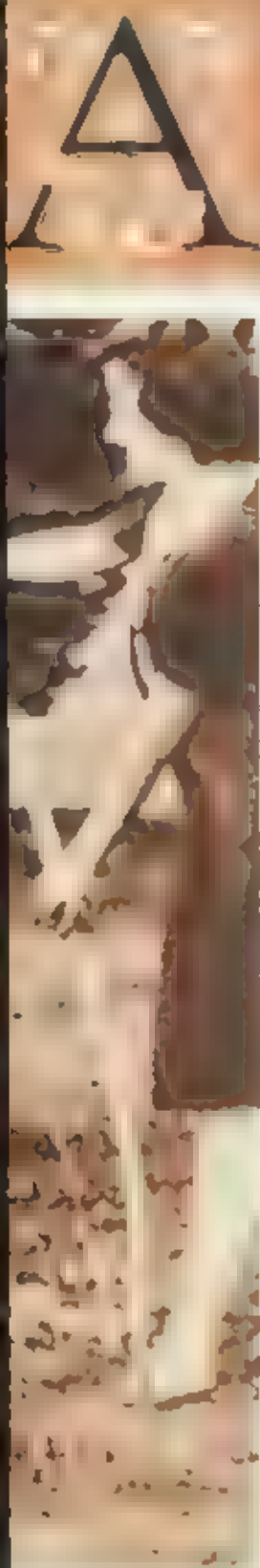
# A Century

by Sandra Grover



Above: A 1958 baseball player stretches to make the catch.  
Right: As Sandi Grover waits patiently for him to finish, Jeff Bradley gives Clint McCullough a "trim" at the turn-of-the-century Barber Shop in the McHenry Museum.

# of Competition



Above: Women's Archery was a basic part of the Physical Education program at MHS in 1955.

A freshman enrolled in the fall of 1979, they did not, or could not understand fully their significance as the class to graduate in Modesto High's one hundredth year. But, as the years progressed, they came to realize the important role they played in the celebration of the centennial. Not only Seniors, but underclassmen also, along with the faculty and alumni, sensed this significance. Once again the community felt proud of the old alma mater and their spirited contributions to its heritage.

In 1983, the spirit at MHS was extraordinary, not only on the campus, but also in the community of Modesto. People of all ages looked back to their high school days. Early teachers recalled the days they were just getting started. Athletes recounted their previous sports activities, with joy or with pain. Students looked back to their peers, the lasting friendships they had made and others that just didn't quite make it. No matter how they looked back on those important days, unpleasant memories started to fade, filled in turn with a great reverence for a great school.

If the walls at MHS could talk, they would have marvelous stories to tell about the sports teams who have passed through its doors. It has had championship teams in every sport imaginable from football, basketball, and track, to baseball, tennis, and marksmanship. There were years when opposing teams dreaded going against the Panthers. But there were also years when luck was just not with the Red and Black, when none of the teams seemed to get it together. Rival schools laughed when it came time to play MHS, feeling a victory was in store for them. It was during these years that Panther Pride, the spirit of MHS, was molded together in an indestructible bond, remaining with students throughout their lives.

Although growing physically old, with cracked sidewalks and worn walls, the spirit of MHS lives on and flourishes. A feeling of kinship unites all who have had a part in the one hundred years of MHS. Pride fills each person with joy at being privileged to participate in the building of a great, great school.



Left: School spirit is evident as Leanne Gordon and principal Richard Lang join students in singing the school hymn.

Below: Gabriel Pacheco and Dennis Brophy pace themselves for the long run in a Cross Country meet.



Above: Senior Tennis player Dawn Hudson easily returns her opponent's serve.



# A Century of Competition



by Mike Toso

ising spirit, enthusiasm, and hard work made the MHS Centennial year a good one. Students participated not only in clubs, sports, and activities, but also helped the Student Body economy by having many fundraisers to make the most of the 100th year.

Car washes, bake sales, and numerous company products were the main kinds of profit-making activities for MHS students. Devising new ways to make money was always in process. Still, most were successful and fun to participate in.

MHS spirit has been undoubtedly high throughout most of the century, in sports, clubs, and activities. The uninhibited cheering for the Red and Black teams emphasized how much pride the students had, and the support they generously showed.



Upper Left: James Corson was a member of the 1922-23 football team; he later became Superintendent of Schools.

Center Left: Mint Howell was a member of the 1918 track team.

Left: School Spirit, as personified by "Sammy," one of the first cheerleaders, has a long tradition at MHS.

Above: Attendant Arney Corbin and King Dennis Wend join in singing the School Hymn as they reflect the thrill of being chosen male varsity members of the Fall Royalty Court

Right: Lisa Andrews shows her skill with a spike during a volleyball game

The players of every sport worked hard to boost their team's chances for a championship. Starting off in a new league, hopes were high for them and their coaches.

Football made its debut in the Valley Oak League this year. Backed by quarterback Dennis Wend and returning coach Butch Mendonca, the Varsity Panthers carved a new path for the Red and Black. Though new in the league, MHS proved to be a contender.

Basketball as usual had its exciting points, with a strong returning varsity that showed plenty of effort. Powerful as a team, the players gave their opponents strong competition. Wrestlers successfully grappled with new opponents, while soccer re-grouped into a co-ed format. Gymnastics competed in another active season, with the varsity and JV teams both

contending for titles. Tennis, volleyball, baseball and track showed traditional panther courage.

Fall Rally presented a highly successful Turkey Trot in November, being the best-attended fall dance in recent years. An equally successful winter event was held in January and enjoyed by everyone who went. Teachers supported the students all year long, sponsoring write-a-thons, car washes, dinners, and buying raffle tickets and film packages.

Modesto High people always manage to show their undeniable spirit and competitive courage, despite funding problems and declining involvement, by supporting each other in all activities. Being the oldest school in the city, MHS has the wisdom and pride to do its best in everything.



Upper Left: Fullback Jerry Dias leaves Davis defenders behind in the Panthers' first victory of the season

Upper Right: Sophomore Cross Country runner Isaac Brambilla grabs first place over Manteca at a league meet as Jaime Placencia digs in for the two-mile run

Above Left: Aiming for the right spot on the green, golfer Richard Brunetti readies himself for a shot

Above Right: Gymnast Pam Ketchum begins her routine on the uneven bars



Right: Holding their favorite stuffed animals, Gwen Dooley and Carrie Camelio show their spirit.

Far Right: Susie Beckwith and Pam Ketchum come out of the closet on Punk Rock Day.

Below: Dalinda Angelo and Lori Howell reveal their true personalities on Crazy Day.



Above: For Crazy Day, Robin Grimes went to extremes to produce this masterpiece of Half & Half.

Center: Flashing their "punkiest" looks are Beth Moore, Sandi Grover, and Becky Petty. Right: Punk Rocker Dianne McHale struggles to think where she's going while Troy Campbell wastes no time in getting there.

Far Right: Kim Haarberg and Karen Campbell "join forces" to become the craziest Siamese Twins in history.



# Spirit efforts receive welcome boost with addition of new dress-up days

by Sheryl Hardenbrook

**A**ND THE TRADITIONAL dress-up days, so do the traditional dress-up days. Sponsored by Rally, these fun-filled days were usually held on Tuesdays. Some new and different days were added to the list to go along with the perennial favorites, the newest being Military Day which had a good amount of success. Resembling Western Day was Okie Day, held during Turlock week. Students and teachers all enjoyed

this day, because they could dress in their oldest and most comfortable clothing. Kiddie Day, also among the newer dress-up days drew a great response from the students. Being able to dress like a little kid gave them an excuse to act crazy.

The traditional dress up days: Fifties Day, Crazy Day, Stuffed Animal Day, Punk Rock Day, Hawaiian Day, and Sports Day, all received a surprising amount of participation. As Rally com-

missioner Sabrina Harris stated, "I was surprised on some of the days because of the large participation, but we still had those that were lacking enthusiasm."

Punk Rock day seemed to be the most eagerly awaited activity day. Not only did it draw the greatest amount of participation, but also the best response from both students and faculty. The costumes displayed ranged from plastic garbage bags cut in various shapes to mini skirts and torn sweatshirts with chains of all sizes hanging from necks, arms and waists.

Crazy day also seemed to gather a lot of attention. The variety of outfits were funny and amazingly unusual. Both students and faculty displayed some outrageous costumes, each to their own liking.

Every year dress-up days prove to be fun and exciting. Students look forward to upcoming seasons to see what new and exciting dress-up days are going to be. Many of them begin planning their costumes weeks ahead of time to make sure they will be able to dress just the 'right' (or is it the wrong?) way.



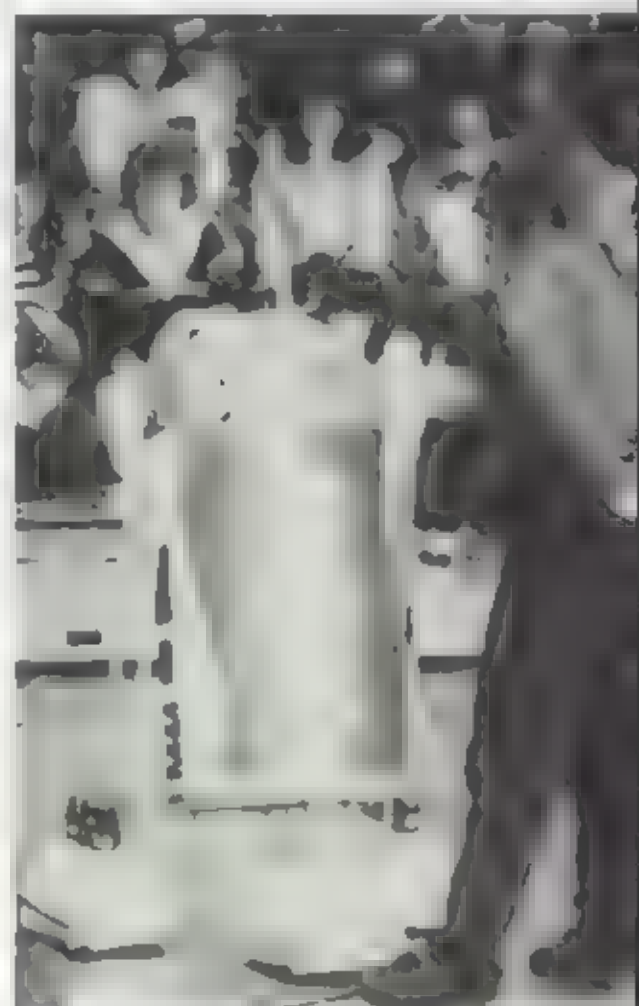
Above: Kelly Davis, Kris Wing, Gina Betten-court and Anna Verdone go to all extremes on Crazy Day.

Left: "Punk Rock" twins Chris and Holly Beaty pause for a little cheesecake on their way to class.

This year has been great and exciting, because MHS is 100 years strong. There have been many changes over the years, but Modesto High still has Class and Spirit!  
—Paul Gerhardt



Right: Joanne Potts races to be first as she makes a mummy out of Chris Andana.  
 Second Right: "Speedy" Lori Howell tracks down "Pac Man" Sabrina Farris during the Manteca Rally.  
 Below: "Downey Beauties" Phyllis Mercer, Joanne Potts, Doreen Jenkins, Laurie Medeiros, Munda Simpson and Leslie Anglin strut on to tell everyone about their "great" team.  
 Lower Center: Pepco Meter judges Ron Smith, Wayne McHugh, Jim Thrasher, Jose Guerrero, John Miller and Dee Kham listen to the loud roar of the Freshmen.



Above: Sophomore spirit leaders Brenna Norick, Kris Wang, Sabrina Olney, Michele Thorne, Nancy Rager, Gina May, Lisa Negele and Tracy Weidner make stamps their way through the song "Butterfly".  
 Center Right: Spring Commissioner Ronelle Forest and Coca-Cola's R.T.D. discuss Modesto High from a robot's point of view.  
 Right: As Percy Panther, Chris Mihelis tries to retrieve Princess Dalinda Angelo, from "Downey Knight" David Snyder, the crowd wonders what will happen next.



# Rallies lift spirits with new theme and game ideas for involvement

by Sabrina Farris

Each year, Rally commissioners and members strive to achieve two goals: present rallies that are fun to attend, and promote spirited participation. Getting students excited about supporting MHS sports teams proved to be difficult, as always.

Every Tuesday during sports season a dress-up day was planned. Using these days as theme guidelines, commissioners planned their Friday rallies based on the same idea.

The first rally designed around a dress-up day was the Hawaiian Rally. In this rally, skirts and tops were worn, along with a Hawaiian style song. Traditional rallies held every year were the 50's rally, Punk Rock rally, and the Okie rally. These rallies were enjoyed throughout the year. A new theme was added to the schedule for the Pac-Man rally. Students performed a song routine to the song "Pac-Man Fever" and Pac-Man himself joined in on the fun. The Faculty Rally, held later in football season, was a chance

for teachers to let go and get "funky," which is exactly what they did. Seeing great men (who usually were cradled in the classroom), wear short skirts and mocking "rah-rahs" was a rare but enjoyable sight.

Whatever the rally theme was, the tradition of a skit or game was set for the rally. A skit was led by a varsity spiritleader at the beginning of each rally, giving a boost to get things going. After the skit, a game was presented. Although skits were planned ahead of time, they weren't always responded to as well as games. Watching people do silly things, such as stuffing donuts in their mouths, or getting wrapped up in toilet paper, brought out the laughter of obvious enjoyment.

Students sometimes didn't know what to expect when attending a rally, but they could always count on one thing: the tradition of everyone, students and teachers, lifting the index finger high in the air and singing the popular strains of "All Hail to The Modesto High."



Left: During a rally skit, spirited Panthers Kim Haarburg, Dalinda Angelo and Chris Mihelis explain how great it feels to have Panther Pride to uninvolved students Joanne Potts, Melinda Simpson, Sheryl Hardenbrook and Steve Bryant.

Above: "Joe Cools" John Hallford, Steve Bryant and Gabriel Pacheco await the cue to show their spirit during the 50's rally.



I am proud to be a Panther because we are great; we don't give up when there is little hope, we try even more!  
—John Klink



# Rally activities generate interest but participation remains limited

by David Hodges

**A**s the year began the fall with high spirits and great enthusiasm. Members of Rally helped maintain Panther Pride throughout the campaign. The rally commissioners strove to fulfill their responsibilities with the participation of the student body.

Every Thursday afternoon was a practice day. Hours of effort were put into the practice. If there were any more problems, they were worked out that day.

While this was in progress, the boys and girls who signed up for the rally were hard at work. They were working in the main hall, and the windows with the Panther Pride logo.

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Packages as an additional fundraiser, while the fall homecoming dance brought a profit of \$410. Overall, the rally ended up the season breaking even moneywise, which hadn't occurred in 10 years.

General Rally's task of promoting interest and encouraging participation in school spirit was not always an easy job. Nevertheless, most rallies and dress-up days were successful.

Summing up the success of General Rally activities for the year, fall rally commissioner Lori Howell explained, "It was a real learning experience. I think we all learned a lot about sharing responsibilities, and compromising."



Above: Sporting cowboy boots, vans and sun glasses "rah-rahs" John Perry, Jerry Rocha and Clarence Cunha take a break from their "cheerleading" duties at the Kings Rally.  
Right: During the Okie Rally, chug-a-luggers Vince Martinez, Donny Counce and Darren Jenkins gulp down their root beers in hopes of winning the competition for their class.





Left: Juniors Shari Bentley, Kim Grimes, Dianne McHale, Dee Hughes, Loretta Ryan, Edwards and Rhonda Bowling await the punch line during a fall rally skit.  
Below: During an exciting basketball game against East Union, Stephanie Heersink, Dianne McHale, Kris Lee and Pam Ketchum show enthusiastic support for the Panthers.  
Lower Center: Sophomore students including

Mabele Thorn, Junior Shari, Paula Nelson, Shannon Pearson, Karen Smith and Rachel Cole participate in a class competition with the cheerleaders leading the chant.  
Lower Right: Michelle Letoer, Rhonda Tate, Susan McGrath, Carla Hill, Patrick Ketchum, Tina Kennedy, Janna Rhine, Lodi Vealhuizen, Myren Warren and Kathy Verissimo join the crowd in exerting their enthusiasm at a rally.



Above: General Rally, front row: John Haas, Chris Mihelis, Dalinda Angelo, Sabrina Jarvis, Lee Howell, second row: Lisa Dickson, Marlene Magnus, Rhonda Albright, Susan Jewell, Pam Ketchum, Dianne Swain, Ronelle Foust, Monica Contreras, Debbie Bowling, Carla Jarvis, Rhonda Tate, third row: Lisa Negoe, Tracy Wetford, Janna Emig, Veronica Vasquez, Penny Grace, Stephanie

Heersink, Yvette Iowa, Cheri Reim, Holly Beatty, Juanita Garza, Chris Beatty, Sabrina Contreras, fourth row: Nora Michaels, Donna DeSimone, Shari Bentley, Michelle Senior, Leslie Anglin, Kim Haasberg, Stacy Hart, Neena Cuevas, Treva New, Erin Wray, Paula Pinner, back row: Shawnee Clark, Kim Grimes, Charita Crane, Lodi Lee, Stephanie Prosser, Catherine Mihelis, Becky Leeper.



# Commissioners and Execs struggle to overcome problems of apathy

by Sabrina Farris

**P**anning rallies that were unique, exciting, and involved student participation was a job cut out for Rally Commissioners. Beginning in early summer, both fall and winter commissioners planned a calendar full of dress up days, activities, and —most important— the rallies.

A rally meeting for interested students was held in late August to get committees organized and ready to go before the sports seasons began. Lists of committee heads and members were posted in the main hall to inform rally members of their individual jobs and the specific times they were needed.

Along with the job of preparing rallies each week, rally members show-

ed school pride by decorating the halls with signs and streamers.

The biggest part of decorating for each weekly game was done on Thursday. Rally Executives (junior and seniors in rally for two or more years) were the organizers of each committee, whether it was painting signs, hall decoration, or sports appreciation. It was their job to make sure the newer rally members came and did their parts.

Early in the fall, students participated well in helping boost spirit by decorating, but as in other years,

apathy crept in and prevented the MHS campus from being well-decorated every week. As the Varsity Basketball Team led the Panthers to Conference and Section crowns, involvement again picked up with signs and streamers filling the halls and gym.

Although participation was not always large, the Rally Commissioners, along with a handful of dedicated students, managed to keep the main halls looking good in red and black to represent their support to all sports teams.



Above: During a spring rally, commissioner Monica Contreras announces the activities scheduled for the following week.

Upper Right: While rally advisor Leanne Gordon announces the Rally Girl of the Week, commissioners Lori Howell and Sabrina Farris and spiritleader advisor Denise Hewitt wait to congratulate the winner.

Right: Spring Mascots Marlaime Magnus (Priscilla) and Kim Haarburg (Percy).

Second Right: Spiritleaders Lisa Negele, Camilla Tillman, Rhonda Albright and Sabrina Olney spend time after school to paint posters for the game.





Left Fall Mascots Dalinda Angelo  
Priscilla and Chris Mihers (Per  
cy

Below, Rally Execs, front row  
Janica Emig, Kim Holmes, Leanda  
Carter, Sandi Grover, Marlaime

Magnus, second row—Lisa Dick  
son, Rhonda Albright, Doreen  
Jenkins, Lianne Potts, Michele  
Sims, back row—Paula Peeper,  
Dianne McHale, Lori Howell, Beth  
Moore, Sabrina Harris



Left, Mascot Keri Dierburg, right, displays  
the latest style in cheerleading, AHS A.P. cheer  
leader

Upper Center, Fall Rally Commissioners, Lori  
Howell and Sabrina Harris

Above, Spring Rally Commissioners, Michele  
Sims, Doreen Jenkins, and Lori Howell



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athletic program —Shane Hodge



# Varsity Spiritleaders invited to give special half-time performance

by Mike Toso

**D**uring the past few years, the Fall Varsity Spiritleaders show has been the highlight of the school year. The girls, who are selected by the school board, have been singing and dancing at the school assembly, homecoming, and other school events.

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presented them with loud applause.

After the girls performed, the Varsity girls were awarded a first prize, which the Varsity girls squad was awarded a trophy.

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Above: At the end of a noontime rally, Marlaene Magnus, Carrie Trava, Pam Ketchum, Kris Lee, Jerrya Grace, Kim Haaburg, Darrinda Ayers, and Chris McCreas sing the school hymn. Right: After a Panther score, varsity spiritleaders get set for the extra point.





Second Left: Varsity songleaders Marlane Magnus and Connie Travao glide through their routine during a noon me rally.  
Left: Varsity song leader Suzie Beckwith moves to the sounds of "Can't Be Beat".  
Below: With music from the MHS Pep Band songleaders Janica Emig, Suzie Beckwith, Marlane Magnus and Connie Travao perform the traditional fight song routine.



Center Left: Showing their rock ability, spirit leaders Pam Kerchum, Kris Lee, Kim Haarburt, Michele Smart and Penny Grace finish a routine at the Kings Rally.  
Above: Mascot Dalinda Angelo discusses the exciting points of the game with songleaders Connie Travao and Janica Emig.  
Left: Spirit leaders Penny Grace, Kim Haarburt, Pam Kerchum and Kris Lee combine their efforts with Steve Bryant, David Snyder, John Hartford and Gabriel Pacheco for an exciting noon me rally.



Ever since I started at Modesto High I've been impressed with the pride and spirit at this school. It's just great!  
—Mike Goncalves





Right: Displaying their pyramid Sandgrover Rhonda Albright, Karen Campbell, Juanita Garza and Donna De Simone hold a pose.  
Below: The original bunny hop is demonstrated by Janica Emig, Shanie Bentley, Donna De Simone and Kim Grimes.  
Lower Center: Keeping the beat alive, Camila Tillman concentrates on her steps.



Above: Rhonda Albright and Donna De Simone cheer wildly after a two pointer.  
Right: Spring Varsity Songleaders, front row: Kim Grimes, Janica Emig, Camila Tillman, Cindy Harrison, Shanie Bentley. Spiritleaders, back row: Donna De Simone, Juanita Garza, Rhonda Albright, Sandi Grover.



# Varsity Spiritleaders work hard to keep up with 'Panther Pride mania'

by Tommy Warren

**T**he varsity brought out many outgoing personalities with determination and drive, plus a dash of exuberant grace. These qualities were traits of the Spring Varsity Spiritleading squad.

Working hard every day to improve vells and song routines, the squads showed enthusiasm and pride in

every basketball game. The squads burst from the sidelines, cheering and singing, and the spirit leaders were the first to jump out of the bleachers.

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Although many of the spirit leaders had other activities, such as sports, clubs or student government, they each managed to give daily time to practice. Under the continuing supervision of new advisor Denise Hewitt, each squad compromised when problems arose, and usually worked them out without any major hassle.

Head yell leader, Rhonda Albright, commented, "We had our ups and downs, but as a whole, our season as spirit leaders was good."



Left: During half-time, varsity songleaders Camilla Tillman, Kim Grimes, Shanie Bentley and Janica Emig show much enthusiasm as they perform "Panthers, Panthers, you're so fine." Second Left: Caught in the spotlight, Cindy Harrison performs with Panther flair. Upper Left: The Twenties come alive as Donna De Simone, Rhonda Albright, Sandi Grover and Juanita Garza lead a cheer. Above: With spirit to spare, Marlaime Magnus, Danita Swinburg, Rhonda Albright, Shanie Bentley, Donna De Simone, Janica Emig, Cindy Harrison, Kim Grimes, Ronnelle Foust and Monica Contreras display their respect as the National Anthem is sung.



Right, Freshman Cheerleaders: Lynn Gorne, Marlene Bradford, Sherrie Brownlee, Jennifer A. and Julie Emig.  
Below, Sophomore cheerleaders Tracy Weisford, Lisa Nagele, Gina May, Bernita Norris, Michelle Thorn and Kris Wing run back from the end zone after a touchdown by the Panthers.



Above, Sophomore Spiritleaders: Bernita Norris, Tracy Weisford, Lisa Nagele, Kris Wing, Gina May, Nancy Ragar and Sabrina Oliney.

Right: During the King's Rally, Nancy Ragar, Gina May and Kris Wing relax after their performance while Sheryl Mendonca and Debbie Whitworth watch for the next attraction.



# Sophomores Spiritleaders excel but lack of interest plagues frosh efforts

by Janica Emig

**A**fter their selection at the end of the '82 school year, the frosh soph spiritleaders began the long and tiring journey to the pep assembly. They quickly began to realize what a long journey it really was.

Although the freshmen squad would be chosen before the new school season, so they could have the same chance as other

sophomores to go to camp and make extra money, a unfortunate circumstance left the freshmen squad in a difficult position. In the fall, so that the original idea did not fall through, the cheerleading squad and the sophomore song leaders brought home

a second place. The girls an opportunity to perform routines at the pep assembly. They had been cheerleaders

and vells. The work paid off when the au

Experiencing the problems faced while working as a group, the freshmen sometimes got a little behind, but by the end of the season, they were much improved as one unit.

Enthusiasm and high spirits were well received by both the freshmen and sophomore squads. Showing their leadership and spirit boosting skills, all of the girls helped to spread the fun and excitement of belonging to MHS to everyone.



Upper Left: Sophomore song leaders Kris Wing, Sabrina Olines, Janna May and Nancy Ragar perform an exciting routine during a noontime rally.

Above: Freshman spiritleaders Lynn Gorne, Sherrie Brownlee, Julie Emig, Janna Rhine, Marnie Bradford and Jennifer Azevedo discuss the quality of their performance.

Left: Song leaders Sabrina Olines, Nancy Ragar, Janna May and Kris Wing show Partner Pride by singing the traditional school hymn.

Second Left: Yell leaders Janna Rhine and Jennifer Azevedo await their turn in the Pep-O-Meter.



# Despite losses, Soph-Frosh squad strive to uphold Panther Spirit

by Sheryl Hardenbrook  
and Sabrina Farris

The primary duty of spreading Panther spirit is to get the rowing going, and keep the spirit alive during the winter season. The JV and Frosh squads combined their efforts in a variety of ways to spread Panther spirit at MHS during the basketball season.

A rough program was set among the underclassmen, who sometimes bring the all of the cheerleaders and cheerleaders to the game, then cheerleaders during a game, and the freshmen squads and their loss to a Pop-O-Meter contest in the season.

The spring squad more spread Panther spirit at their song leaders and their cheerleaders. At games and games, the girls displayed Panther spirit with routines and songs that they prepared before the season to get perfect. When

the team was losing, the cheerleaders never let down in efforts to spread Panther spirit.

The girls, freshmen squads, spread Panther spirit by forming a star song leader squad. It is a task difficult for freshmen to perform perfect routines and maintain a high spirit level. With a program as efforts to spread

Panther spirit increased as the season progressed.

During the season, JV squads agreed that their song leaders was enthusiastic and with the cheerleaders and extra hours spent planning and practicing routines and songs. Many time to rehearsal, so they could get the routine and songs to the traditional part of the Panther Heritage



Above: During halftime at an overcrowded game, songleaders Charlita Crane, Holly Beatty and Chris Beatty join the line for the Bunny Hop

Upper Right: Waiting to perform at the Fifties Rally are Julie Emig, Sharron Machado and Berrie Dol

Right: Sophomore spiritleaders Nanette Hornes, Tracy Weiford and Lisa Negele perform at the Kings' Rally

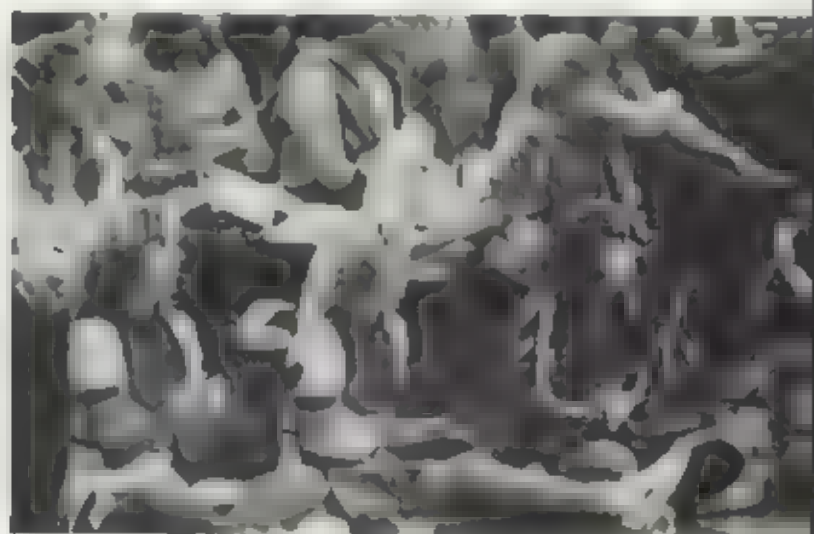
Second Right: During the Twenties Rally, Charlita Crane does the Charleston





Left: Sophomores Chris Beatty, Holly Beatty, Brennita Norris and Nanette Horney hold the traditional pose in hopes of making a one-point tree throw.

Below: Freshman yell leaders Julie Emig, Lynne Gorne and Sharon Machado get the crowd going during pre game action.



Above: Holly Beatty, Chris Beatty, Tracy Weitford and Lisa Negele react with anticipation during a basketball game.

Left: Sophomore Song leaders, front row: Holly Beatty, Charlita Crane, Nanette Horney, Chris Beatty. Sophomore Yell Leaders, back row, Brennita Norris, Lisa Negele, Tracy Weitford, Sabrina Olney.



I am proud to be at Modesto High because the best students in the district are right here.

—Leroy Giovanonni





## Women's Royalty

front: Janica Emig, *Spring Attendant*; Lisa Negele, *Spring Sophomore Queen*; Cindy Harrison, *Spring Attendant*.  
back: Nancy Ragar, *Fall Sophomore Queen*; Susie Beckwith, *Fall Attendant*; Lori Howell, *Fall Queen*; Melinda Lee, *Spring Queen*.

# Unusual event: Juniors crowned Queen

by Dianne McHale

The week of homecoming is a time when school spirit is at its highest and apathy among students seems to disappear. The campus at Modesto High is trimmed in the school colors of crimson and black and encouraging signs decorate the halls and gym.

In the fall, the selection of royalty was hit by controversy when both the varsity queen and her attendant were juniors rather than the more usual seniors. But the final recipients of the crown were not disputed by the athletes for they selected the girls for their hard work and dedication during

both seasons.

Fall Varsity Queen was Rally Commissioner Lori Howell. Lori was a member of the band and was a letterwinner during her freshman and sophomore years. She was also a member of Student Council, Varsity and participated in softball.

Elected for her sophomore year as the season's Sophomore Queen, Susie Beckwith reigned as Fall Varsity Attendant. Susie contributed her time decorating the school as well as perfecting routines for games and dances as a Varsity Songleader.

Current Nancy Ragar received the honor of Sophomore Queen. Nancy

helped to promote spirit and enthusiasm among students by being a member of Rally as well as being a Sophomore Songleader.

Outstanding athlete Melinda Lee received the Spring Varsity Queen. Melinda was a Rally Leader and was the Rally Commissioner at the start of the season. She is a track, basketball and volleyball player.

Janica Emig and Cindy Harrison shared the honor of Spring Varsity Attendants. Both girls were members of the basketball team and participated in volleyball as Varsity Songleaders.

Head Sophomore Varsity Leader Lisa Negele was named Spring Sophomore Queen. Lisa, an outstanding athlete, was a member of the basketball team and was a Varsity Songleader.

During the week many girls showed their school spirit by wearing their school colors and participating in the homecoming activities. The homecoming week was a great success and created great memories.



Upper Left: Seated at the throne Spring Queen Melinda Lee admires her roses

Upper Center: Janica Emig, Spring Varsity Attendant, laughs in amazement

Above: Bruce Spar and Dennis Wend crown Lori Howell Fall Varsity Queen

Left: Fall Varsity Attendant Susie Beckwith is escorted onto the field by her father Warren

Second Left: Hector Villapudua and Jess Mendoza escort Spring Sophomore Queen Lisa Negele to the throne

Far Left: Fall Sophomore Queen Nancy Ragar is seated on her throne by escort Shane Hodge



## Men's Royalty

front: Sam Gonzales, *Spring King*; Arney Corbin, *Fall Attendant*.  
center: Felipe Ybarra, *Spring Attendant*; David Wilson, *Spring Sophomore King*.  
back: Jessie Mendoza, *Spring Sophomore King*; Dennis Wend, *Fall King*; Patrick Peterson, *Fall Sophomore King*

# Dedicated athletes chosen for Royalty

by Mike Toso

When the tradition of crowning Kings first started, the event was treated as a joke. It was on the Queen's Day that the King was crowned. As the years went by, though, the Kings became more serious and a crown was awaited each King's Rally.

Many male students, whether on a sports team or not, try to time their efforts to get in front of the Spring and Fall Members of the Varsity King event for this award. They did these duties and kept them in mind when terminating and voting time came around.

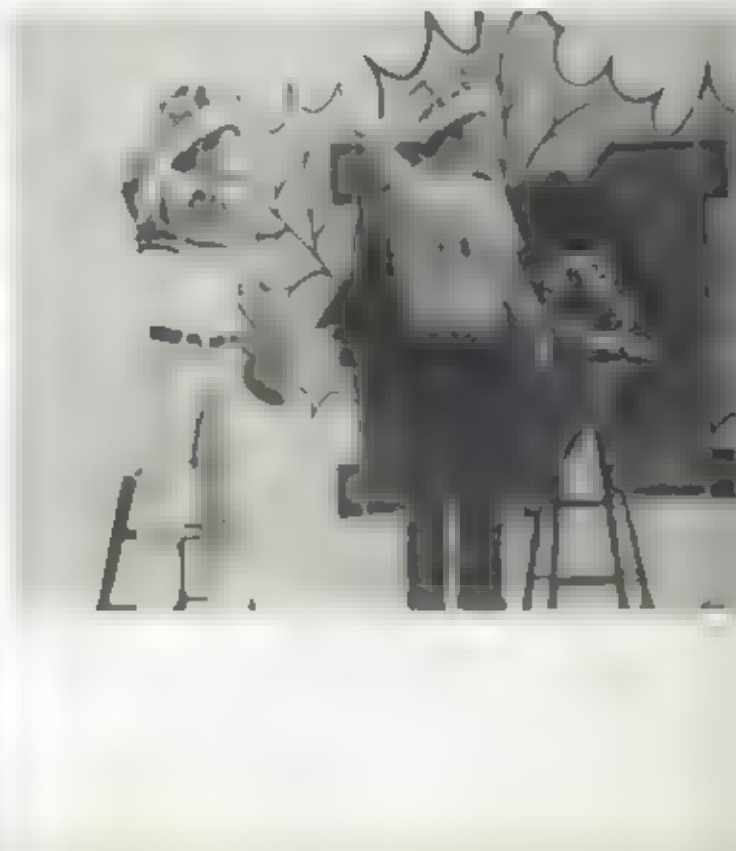
Sporting the Fall King's crown was Dennis Wend, a senior who is an all-around athlete. Dennis was the first recipient of the SPS Prep Athlete of the Year award. Track and football player Arney Corbin was crowned Varsity Attendant. Worked with him as David Peterson was crowned as Spring Varsity King. All three were involved in several sports and were very deserving.

With the crowning season now to an end, the excitement and anticipation started. The Spring Kings were crowned and the Fall Kings were crowned. The Spring King was Sam Gonzales, a Varsity King. Sam participated in the SPS Prep Athlete of the Year award. The Fall King was Dennis Felipe Ybarra. Ybarra is a Varsity Varsity Attendant. An all-around athlete, Felipe was a football player, a basketball player, and a baseball player.

David Wilson and Jessie Mendoza

stated the title of Spring Sophomore King. Both were all-around athletes and were respected by their peers. David was the quarterback for the sophomore team and Jessie was his starting left tackle and defensive player.

To be crowned king is an honor many boys hope to receive before graduating. A rough good looks, a nice personality, and involvement in sports are usually among the qualities of these students. Confidence and determination to Modesto High are the key factors.



Above: Kris Wing escorts Fall Sophomore King Patrick Peterson as "rah-rah" Richard Moreno congratulates him.  
Center: Fall Varsity King Dennis Wend takes his seat escorted by Kim Haaburg.  
Upper Left: Spring Soph Kings David Wilson and Jess Mendoza discuss their dual coronation.  
Upper Right: Shanie Bentley and Monica Contreras crown Felipe Ybarra Spring Attendant.  
Far Right: Newly crowned Fall Attendant Arney Corbin and King Dennis Wend await the start of the school hymn.  
Right: Spring Varsity King Sam Gonzales gives the traditional "Number 1" sign as he joins in singing the school hymn.





**'The Panthers achieved much more than was expected of them. Because of some super individual efforts, they upset the CCC champs from Davis and showed the Valley Oak League there is a new team to be reckoned with.'**  
**—Butch Mendonca**



Above, Varsity Football Team, front row: Leroy Grays, Greg Barnes, Jerry Dias, Frank Cardoso, Shannon Nicholson, Butch Elinburg, Tim Blueford, Mike Toso. second row: Asst Ben Miller, Mike Goncalves, Marcos Madrid, Marvin Davis, Tommy Warren, Maurice Bland, John Howard, Robert Berry, Coach Butch Men-

donca third row: Asst John Miller, Sam Cousins, Andy Goncalves, Bobby Dollar, Felipe Ybarra, Darren Teeple, Mike Dixon, Asst Coach Mike Kivori. back row: Troy McCutcheon, Brian Nevitt, David Zehnder, Arnie Corbin, David Absher, Joe Mendonza, Dennis Wend, Bruno Spani



Above: Senior Leroy Grays displays fancy foot work as he easily eludes his opponent  
 Upper Right: Panther linemen Joe Mendonza Randy Dill and Frank Cardoso quickly dispose of an Oakdale opponent  
 Right: Sophomore Maurice Bland attempts to gain yardage on a fourth down play  
 Second Right: Shannon Nicholson makes a spectacular unassisted tackle





Second Left: Wide receiver Felipe Yharra gains yardage with another key catch  
Left: Leading quarterback Dennis Wend concentrates downfield to an open receiver

#### Varsity Football W-4 — L-5

Modesto	Opponent	
0	Beyer	14
8	Central	7
12	Downey	30
22	Davis	10
28	Turlock	6
21	Sonora	6
17	Manteca	27
7	Oakdale	0
8	East Union	26

## First year in VOL brings second place finish to varsity panthers

by Denise Presley  
and Rhonda Albright

**A**lthough small and inexperienced, the '82 Varsity Football Team was a force to be reckoned with. With a total of 34 players participating, and threatened to be contenders in their newly-formed Valley Oak League. The most going for them was the attitude, always ready for everyone and everything that came their way, fighting through the toughest of losses. Dennis Wend, the leading quarterback, remained an individual when there was just one person on the team. His unifying attitude carried the team through the toughest of

the entire season.

After a tough loss to Beyer, the team faced a repeat of the '81 year. Coach Butch Mendonca reassured them: "We are inexperienced right now; we haven't yet pulled together as a team." In the next game the players did come together in what proved to be the best game and turning point of the season.

The team's next game was against Sonora, a surprising 15-3. The rest of the game wasn't even close. The Panthers outran,

successful team effort gave the Panthers a record of 2-3. The team's next game was against Manteca, a margin of 22-6, enabling Modesto to enter the league play with a record of 2-3.

The Panther's next game was against Sonora, one of their new league rivals. MHS dominated the game and in keeping with a homecoming tradition—for the last five years—prevailed with a score of 22-6. The team played tough, hoping to win and secure the league championship. The team played tough,

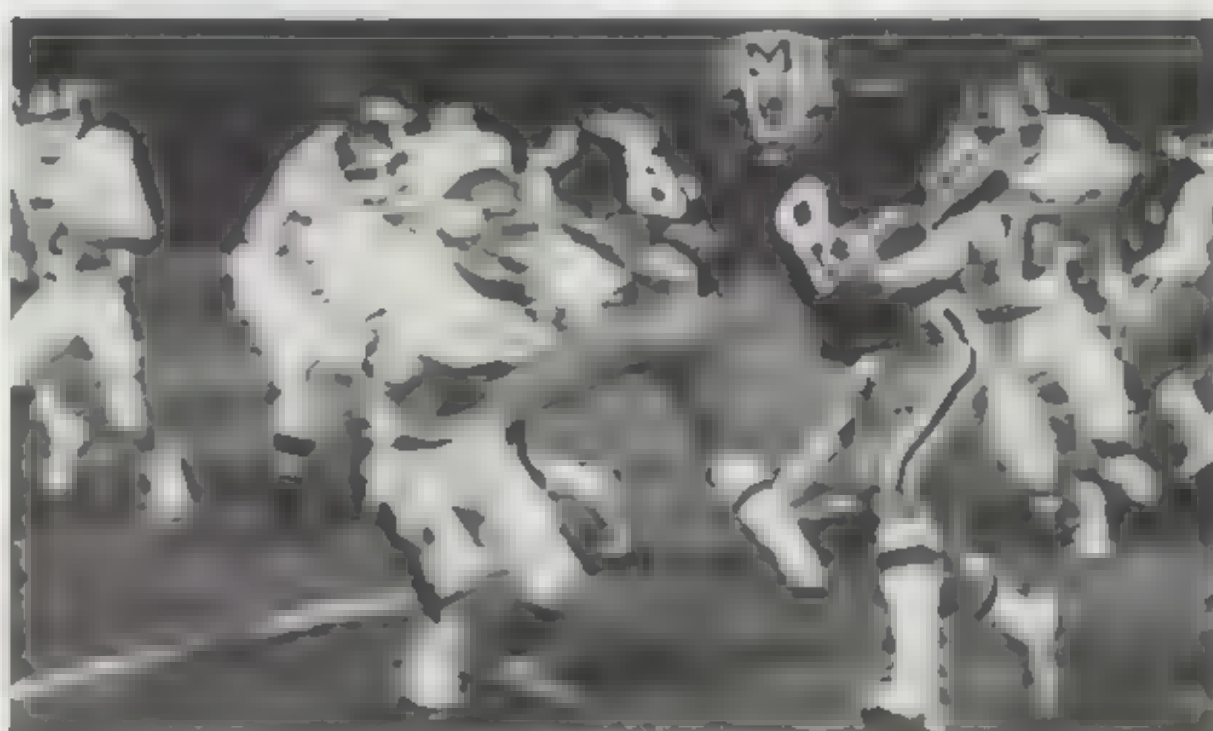
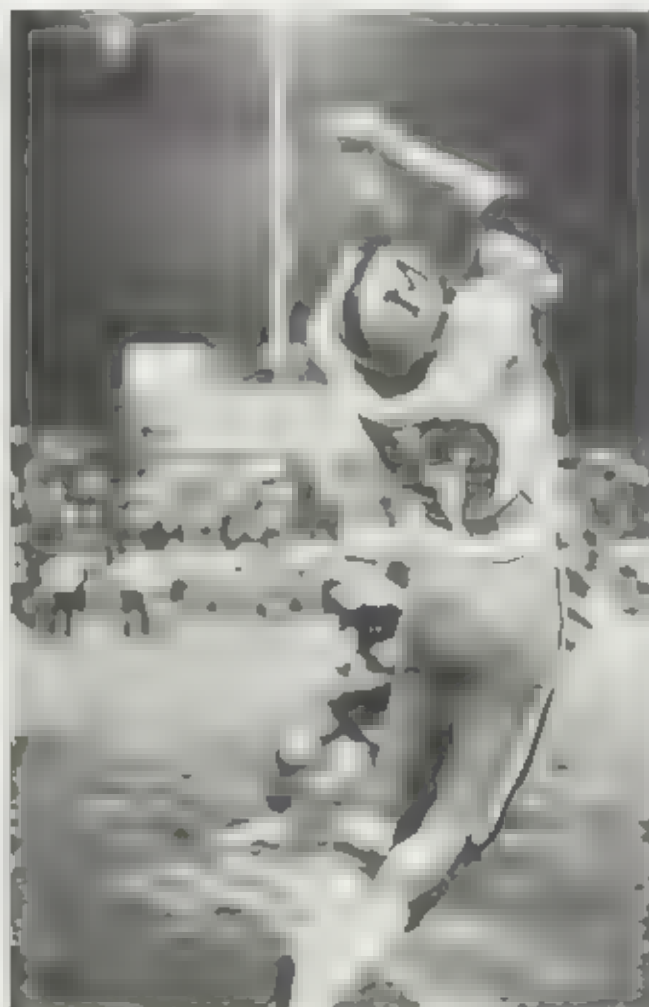


Right: Leroy Grays assists a fellow Panther in the tackle of a Manteca opponent

Second Right: While Brian Nevitt slows down a Downey defender, David Zehnder goes for a block

Lower Right: Fullback Sam Cousins pushes his way through the Bulldog line to gain more yardage

Below: Straining to make an interception, Andy Gonzales tips the ball out of bounds



## Offense rates first in new league

couldn't quite pull it off, ending with a final score of 17-27. "The score was no indication of the way the game was played. We nearly beat a team that was bigger and had more ability than we did," stated Mike Kivori, defensive coordinator.

Playing on a water-soaked field and in pouring rain, the Panthers came back from that disappointment to win over Oakdale, 7-0. Ending the season with a game against East Union, the league leaders, the Panthers lost 8-26.

The team's league record thus ended 2-2, good for second place in the VOL. Their overall record was 4-5—the best in several years. Even though there were complications, the accomplishments of the group were ones that will be remembered for years to come.

Starting the year in a new league and with a limited number of regular games, the future of the Varsity Football Team was very uncertain. Their performances in each game remained uncertain as throughout the entire season. Therefore, no one ever knew what was going to happen.

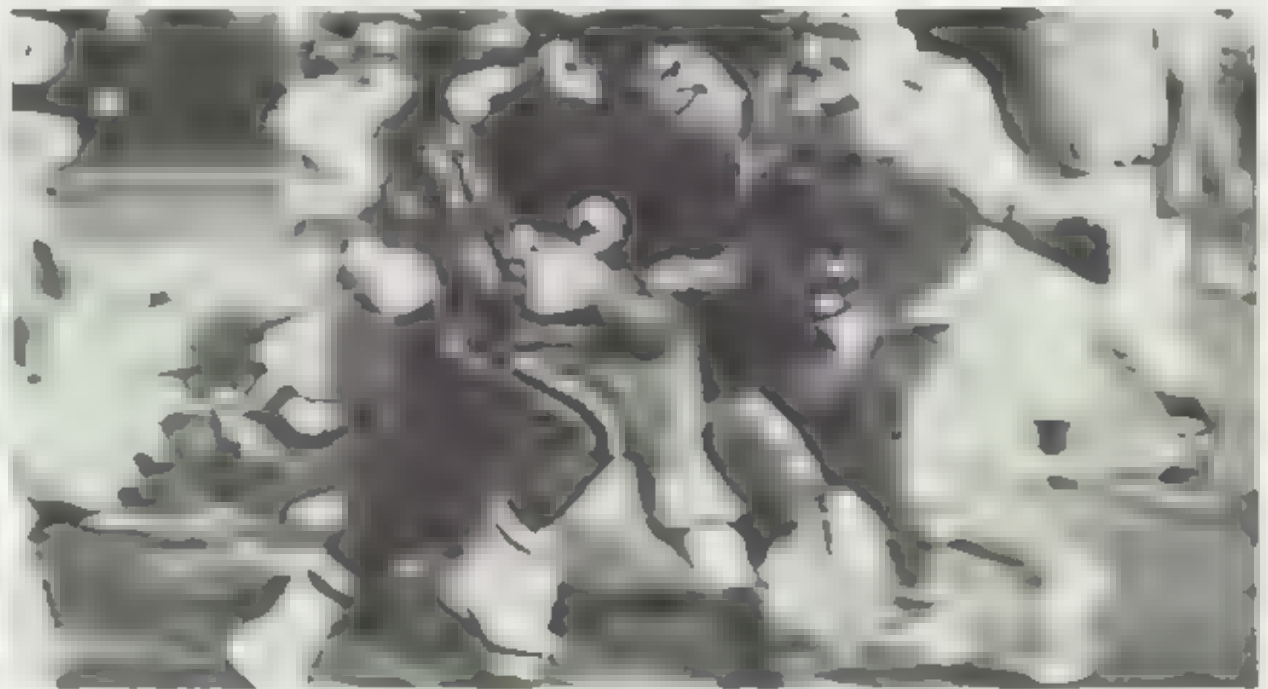
Always proving a threat, the Panthers surprised many opponents with their outstanding offensive plays. The team led the league and was often in the district offense. The Panthers played a winning game and their pass first, run second philosophy kept defenses always guessing. Leading the pack was senior quarterback Dennis Ward, calling passer in the district whose favorite targets were Felipe

Ybarra and Andy Gonzales. Also contributing to the offensive team were Leroy Grays and Jerry Dias.

The varsity team was really tough against the running plays of their opponents, rating first in the league. But as coach Butch Mendonca put it, "It was our pass defense that killed us. We were too slow on the line and coverage of the receivers." Leading the defensive attack were senior lineman Joe Mendonca and linebackers Jerry Dias and Frank Cardoso. Assisting them were Tim Blueford and Sam Cousins, also linebackers, and defensive backs Andy Gonzales, Felipe Ybarra and Leroy Grays. Together with the offense the team gained a total of 2,336 yards while holding their opponents to 1,500 yards.

*'It was the best team in the last 10 years; an exciting team,  
where we could move the ball a lot.'*  
—Mike Kiyoi

Second Left, Assistant Coach Mike Kiyoi  
Left, Assistant Coach Van Valdez



Upper Left: Top: Tatum Ylstra takes a kick down the field while Dino Quinn looks off to watch the opposition.

Upper Right: Tatum Ylstra fights to get through Davis' defenders.

Above: Dennis Ward and Shannon Nicholson combine efforts for an extra point.

Left: As a Central player rushes in for a tackle, Morey Blair prepares to defend himself with help from Bruno Spain.



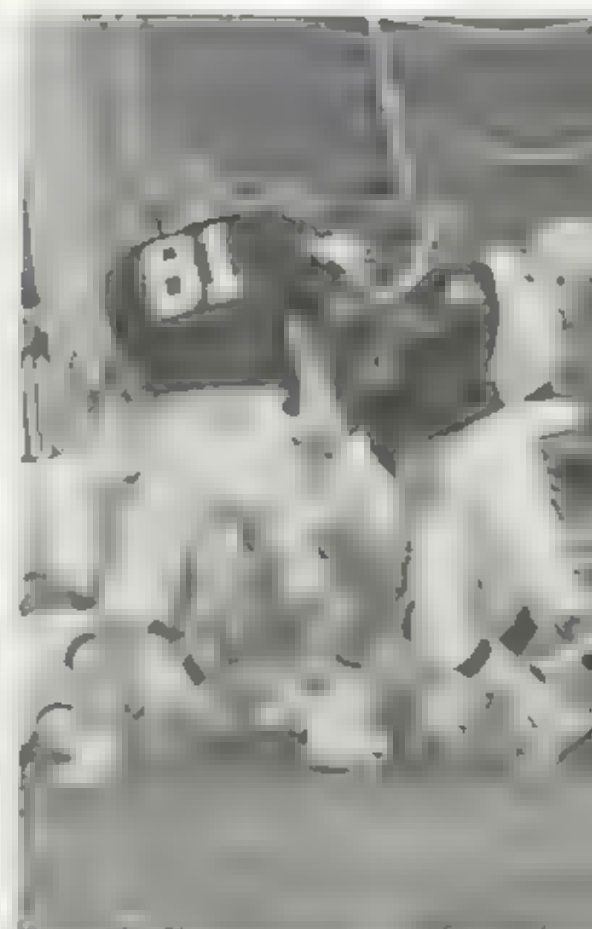
**'A good group of kids but we had problems. A lack of discipline hurt the team.'**  
**—John Miller**

Right, Sophomore Coach John Miller  
 Second Right, Assistant Coach Russ Garcia



Above: Sophomore Football Team front row: Kelly Macy, Steven Lal, Shon Williams, Jim Johnson, Jerry Rocha, Albert Cardoso, Mike Koryakoz, Lincoln O'Keezie, Angel Guadalupe second row: Leonard Wheaton, Walter Sutton, Jeff Hardenbrook, Bob Ott, John Perry, David Wilson, Dave Kline, Shane

Hodge, Tracy New, Tony Luis back row: Danny Sabala, Sonny Nash, Jim McManis, Patrick Peterson, Junior Shaird, Richard Moreno, Pat Kessie, Clarence Cunha, Shawn Sickert



#### Sophomore Football W-O — L-9

Modesto	Opponent	
6	Bever	9
14	Central	36
6	Downey	30
0	Davis	28
18	Turlock	21
20	Sonora	26
14	Manteca	34
14	Oakdale	33
0	East Union	14



Above: Jeff Hardenbrook and Shawn Sickert join other Panther linemen to protect the quarterback from a possible sack.

Right: A handoff from quarterback David Wilson to running back Patrick Peterson is successful, as Junior Shaird provides running room.

Upper Right: A Sonoma player is sandwiched by Angel Guadalupe and Jeff Brown.







# Freshman Football W-6 — L-1 — T-1

Modesto	Opponent	
14	Central	0
20	Downey	20
8	Davis	3
7	Lubbock	2
26	Sonora	17
0	Monteca	14
20	Oakdale	14
27	East Union	6

Right: Getting the toss from quarterback Brian Nelson, Robert Page goes for more yardage as Esan Gomez and Jim Hendricks hold the line.  
Below: Panther linemen come up with the snap, ready to attack Sonora defenders



## *'Purr-fect' panther kittens tie for VOL championship honors*

by Sabrina Farris

**T**he 1982 Freshman Football Team could only have been described as purr-fect. The Panther kittens played off an outstanding 6-1-1 victorious season, which crowned them Valley Oak League co-champions, sharing the honor with out-of-town rival Ventana. With their six victories and one tie and one loss, the frosh squad maintained an exciting atmosphere which was present not only at games, but throughout the campus.

Starting off the season with a win against Bever, 5-0, Modesto's

strongest team earned their very first victory in the following week, defeating Central 14-7. But it was against the 10 who gave them a tough battle, showing up in a 14-14 tie.

Continuing to display, strength, and desire, the kittens tied Panther Kitten against a great Davis, 7-7, and Sonora, 26-17, and East Union. Three of those games were memorable games. Brian Nelson, freshman quarterback, said, "The team spirit was the main factor in our winning season. The outstanding effort of the strongest team was a great win."

Picked as the most valuable players for the season were Robert Page and Ron Ramm, along with Brian Nelson whose efforts paid off with a Most Improved Award. Other key players who saw action for both offense and defense were Chris Giesler, Dave Baker, Jim Hendricks, Louie Garcia, David Ramirez, Jose Romo, and Ricky Arias.

Assistant coach Marty Boer summed up the season by saying, "It was very enjoyable to have a winning season and a tie for the championship. But it was more gratifying to see the progress and development of a group of fine young men."





**'They did a good job but couldn't quite go all the way because of a lack of effort.'**  
—Paul Abby

Second Left, Freshman Coach Paul Abby  
Left, Freshman Assistant Marty Boer



**Above, Freshman Football Team, front row:** David Dickson, Darrin Hawkins, Cornell Morrow, Lee Jarvis, Fred Batt, Pat Ketchum, Brian Rivera, Craig Farris, Eric Grimes, Mario Contreras, Robert Page, David Ramirez, Scott Wright, Mark Greglia, Jerry Fox, Dennis Whitworth. **second row:** Don Sabala, Joe Rom, Louie Bland, Fred Davis, Carlos Perez, Danny

Sabala, Ron Ram, Rob Haskaway, Tony Glenn, Victor Lout, Ed Haskaway, Thomas Ortiz, Jim Dunn, Cruz Diaz, Rick Armas, Isidro De la Rosa. **back row:** Tony Buenafestio, Tony Figueroa, Gary Peck, Bill Setarini, John Sutter, Carl Giesler, Robert Anderson, Charles Long, Milton Warren, Richard Rushing, Brian Nelson, Dave Baker, Don Worsham, Rob Newburn, Esan Gomez.



**Upper Left:** Thinking about his next move, Robert Page easily catches the ball for another first down.

**Upper Center:** With the help of Brian Nelson, Rick Armas goes for another successful kick.

**Above:** Pat Ketchum puts the head of a Beaver opponent.

**Left:** Enders Cornell Morrow and Louis Garcia prepare to start a new play after having intercepted a pass.

**Second Left:** Louie Garcia completes the catch before an opponent gets him from behind.



Right: Running against the wind, Tony Angel strains to better his time

# Sophomore harriers run away with league championship

by Tommy Warren

**D**uring the Cross Country Team proved to be tough competition for defenders during their first VOL season. Striving to be in their best shape before each meet, the runners stayed after school each day to run and improve their times when possible.

Coach Jose Guerrero kept each runner on his or her toes by requiring them to run a lap around the Dryden Golf course every afternoon. Lifting weights a couple of times a week helped them to run even better.

The Cross Country Team produced

some outstanding athletes for the year, including Mario Alcala, Luis Madrigal, and John Shaw, who took the championship in the VOL for individuals. The accomplishments of these people, along with the other members, gave the team third overall in the league. Sophomores were fortunate enough to place first in the league.

Inspired by the movie "Chariots of Fire" junior standout John Shaw stated, "I couldn't have done as well as I did without the help of my teammates, the movie, and Coach Guerrero. I could feel the "Panther Pride" behind me all the way."

No longer the smallest team in the league, the Panther's additional runners helped provide depth to each performance. The improved quantity gave more quality.

The Girl's Cross Country Team, although small, had an exceptional year. Sophomore Yolanda Madrigal and freshman Becky Peeper proved that even underclassmen can be competitive by making it to the sub-sectionals.

Each member of the Cross Country Team continuously strove to improve him or herself, proving once again that no matter how hard the competition is, Panthers don't give in easily.

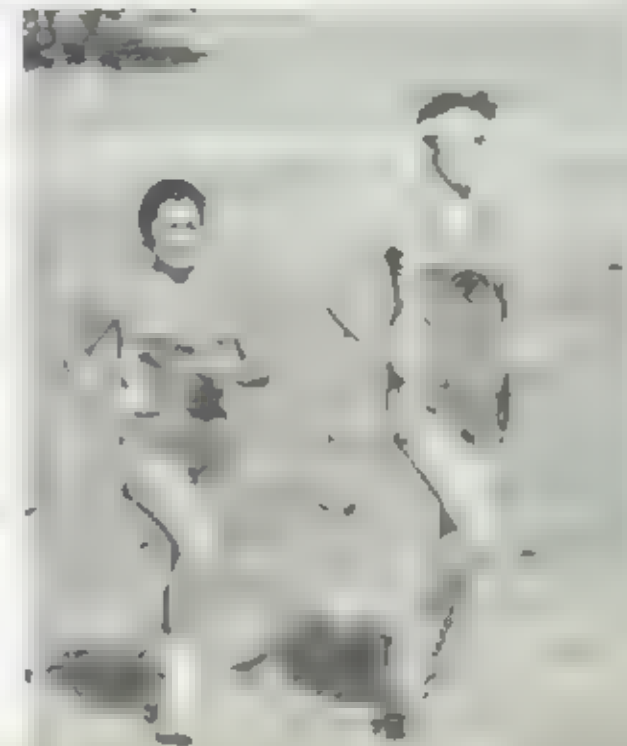


Above: Freshman Cross Country runner Mike Styles makes use of his "on the trail know-how" to increase the distance between himself and his opponents.

Upper Right: Leading the pack are Panther runners Jose Brambila, Jaime Plascencia, and Larry Peterson.

Second Right: Giving it their all, Becky Peeper and Yolanda Madrigal stay on the trail.

Right: On the road again, Dennis Brophy and Gabriel "Gabby" Pacheco leave their opponents out of sight.





**'They have a good record, and with 30 players, both varsity and JV have a good chance of winning next year's league championship.'**  
—Jose Guerrero

Left, Cross Country Coach Jose Guerrero



**Above, Cross Country Team, front row:** Betty Chavez, Jennifer Jackson, Gwendolyn Ybarra, Madrigal, Becky Peeper, Deanna Rodriguez, Natal Contreras, **second row:** Hector Basanta, Larry Peterson, Mike Alberto, Artero Tello, Jose Brambila, Jaime Plascencia, Pedro Dominguez,

Justin Smith, Jose Sarmiento, Chris Wallis, back row: Matt Savas, Gabriel Pacheco, Troy Campbell, Dennis Brimley, Carlos Pineda, Luis Madrigal, Juan Espinoza, Tony Aguilar, John Shaw, Barry Petersen, Jaganon Bravo, Marco Ayala, coach Jose Guerrero.



**Above:** Looking for the finish line, Juan Espinoza anticipates the end of a tiring race.  
**Left:** Doing what he does best is VOL champion John Shaw, on his way to another victory.

#### Varsity Cross Country W-3 — L-2

Modesto	Opponent	
W	Oakdale	1
L	Sanora	W
W	Manteca	1
W	East Union	1
3	League Meet	

**Modesto High School is the very best and I hope there will be plenty more celebrations to come.**  
—Sandra Perez



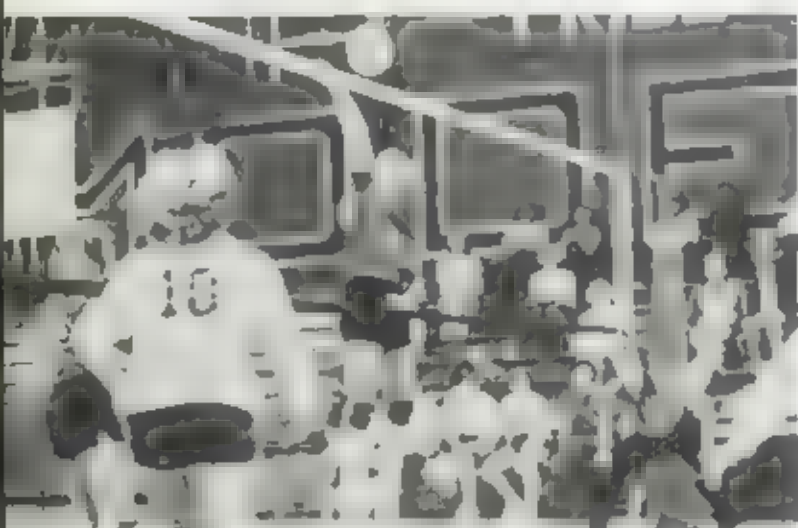


Right, Volleyball Coach Rene Lindberg  
Second Right: Taking careful aim, Denise Presley serves while Sheryl Mendonza watches

Right, Volleyball Team: Lisa Andrews, Melinda Lee, Sheryl Mendonza, Coach Rene Lindberg, Rhonda Albright, Denise Presley and Sandi Grover



Volleyball		
Modesto	Opponent	
0	Downey	2
1	Bever	2
0	Oakdale	2
0	Sonora	2
0	East Union	2
0	Manteca	2
0	Oakdale	2
0	Sonora	2
0	East Union	2
0	Manteca	2
0	Oakdale	2
0	Sonora	2
0	East Union	2
0	Manteca	2



Above: A perfect set enables Lisa Andrews to awesomely spike the ball  
Upper Center: Cindy Vermeulen bumps the ball as Sandi Grover and Melinda Lee assist  
Upper Right: With Lisa Andrews and Cindy Vermeulen set, Denise Presley bumps the ball  
Second Right: One of the team's main setters Cindy Vermeulen puts one into the air  
Right: Most Improved Player Rhonda Albright successfully bumps a difficult serve

# Declining interest spikes efforts at volleyball development

by Sandra Grover

Composed of only seven players, the 1982 Volleyball Team was very small but dedicated. Six players are needed on the court at one time, which left the team with only one extra. One of the advantages to a small team is that every member gets her fill of playing, but there are also disadvantages, such as not knowing whether there will be enough players present for the game. Of course, not having the variety to choose from

The team was not a well-oiled machine. It is a team that has experienced the ups and downs of volleyball. One of the seven members had played on a volleyball team before. Because of this, the team had a few players who were not used to the game. Some of the disadvantages of a small team could have been used to develop a team that was dedicated to playing volleyball.

The team was composed of two setters with the rest able to pass, bump and spike. During their first season, they

played, fifteen games. The team was very small but dedicated. Six players are needed on the court at one time, which left the team with only one extra. One of the advantages to a small team is that every member gets her fill of playing, but there are also disadvantages, such as not knowing whether there will be enough players present for the game. Of course, not having the variety to choose from

The team was composed of two setters with the rest able to pass, bump and spike. During their first season, they worked hard to become a team with a winning record. Under the excellent coaching of Rene Lindberg, the team had an enjoyable and fulfilling season.



Upper Left: In an action-filled game, Lisa Andrews intimidates her opponents while Denise Presley and Melinda Lee stand ready to assist. Above: A Sonora player dinks the ball over Sand Grover and Cindy Vermeulen block while Lisa Andrews stands ready. Left: Sophomore player Sheryl Mendonza readies herself to receive the serve. Second Left: During before-game warmups, Lisa Andrews practices her spiking while Sandra Grover and Melinda Lee wait their turns.



# Tennis nets improved record

by Nora Milchen

**G**irls were characteristic of the Girls Tennis Team during the fall season. Placing third in the Valley Oak League showed great improvement over the '81 season, ending with a 5-3 record.

Throughout the season the number one position was shared by senior Dawn Hudson and freshman Celine Hansen. This was Dawn's second year playing for MHS. In '81 Dawn showed promising talent while holding down the third seed position most of the season. "Playing for Modesto High has made my junior and senior years more enjoyable. My only regret is that I didn't start playing earlier," Dawn said.

Freshmen Celine Hansen and Stephanie Presley were, according to Coach Dee Killam, some of the best freshmen players to come along in years. "They were both great assets to the team," she praised.

The number one doubles position was mainly shared by Maria Lopez and Rachel Cole. Other players backing them up were Shawyne Clark, Dianne Yandell, Geri Peek, Karen Smith, and Mary Yandell.

The team's biggest wins were their matches against East Union, the first coming winning 11 to 4, and then coming back with a great 13 to 2 victory. Other victories came with their matches against Oakdale and one against Sonora, losing only to Manteca during league play.

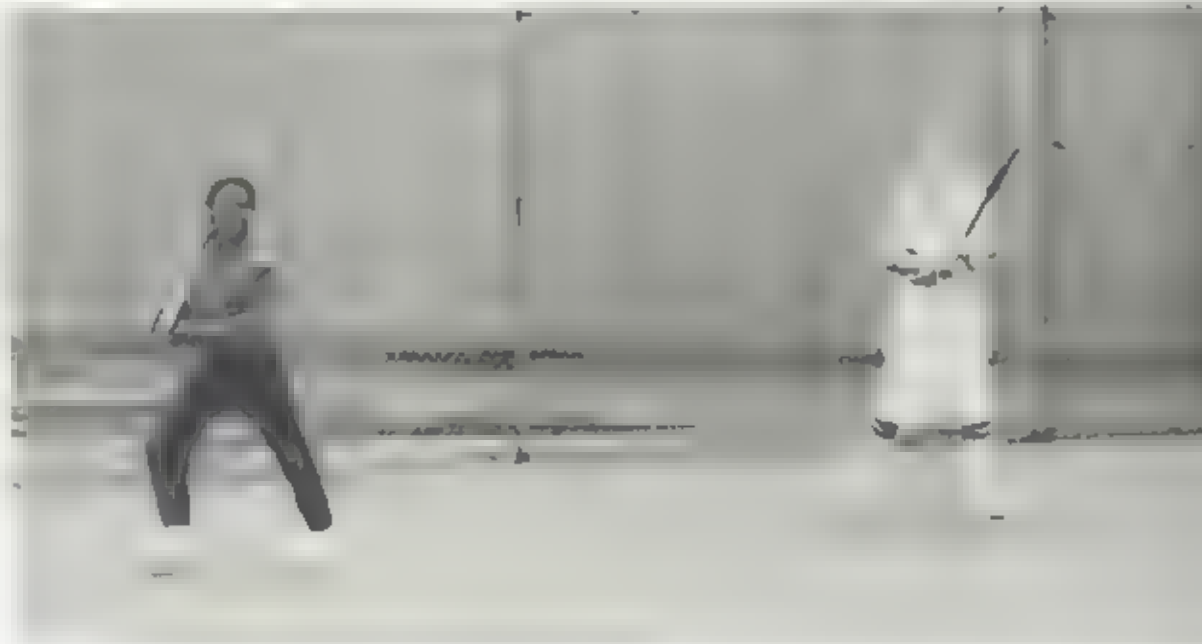
Going to VOL finals were Celine,

Dawn, Geri, and Dianne, who played singles. Teaming up for the doubles season were Dianne and Geri, Celine and Dawn, and Maria and Rachel. Although all of the girls played excellent matches, none were fortunate enough to advance more than one round.

Even though the Girl's Tennis Team lacked the needed experience to handle tough contenders, they proved to be strong competition for their new rivals in the VOL, and certain to improve with the talented underclassmen now coming through the ranks.



Above: During seventh period class, Dawn Hudson works to strengthen her forehand.  
Upper Center: Most Improved player Mary Yandell returns a shot during practice.  
Center Right: Playing the net, Maria Lopez gets set for her opponent's serve.  
Second Right: Accepting the return from her opponent, Geri Peek delivers a well-placed forehand.  
Right: While teammate Rachel Cole stands ready to assist, Shawyne Clark moves into position for the return shot.





**'VOL has helped the team a lot; the competition is more even.'**  
—Dee Killam

Left, Tennis Coach Dee Killam

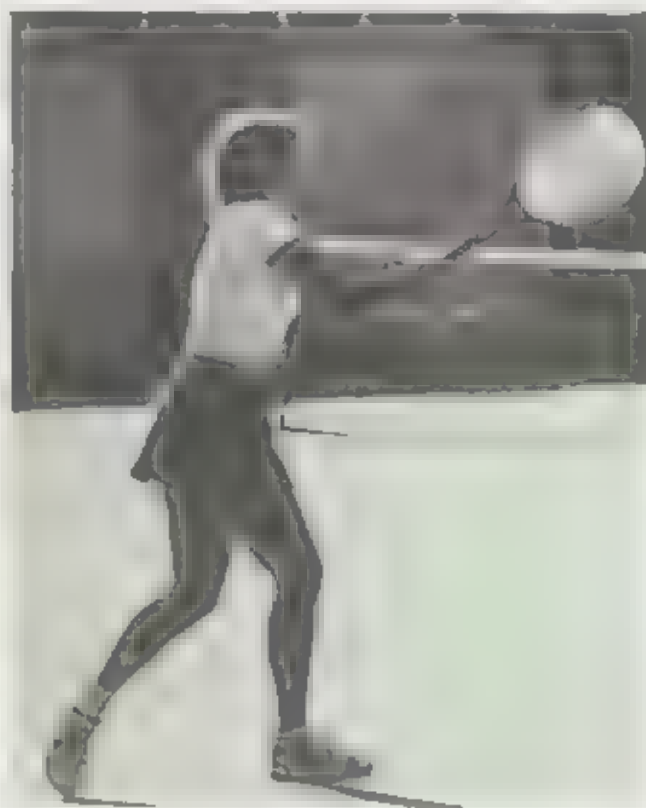
Second Left: Key player Celine Hanson concentrates on her down-the-line shot



Left, Tennis Team, front row: Celine Hanson, Dawn Hudson, Shawne Clark, Maria Lopez. Coach Dee Killam back row: Jackie Langerman, Rachel Cole, Karen Smith, Geri Peek, Mary Yandel



Girls Tennis W-6 — L-5		
Modesto	Opponent	
4	Downey	0
2	Central	3
1	Davis	5
8½	Oakdale	4
12½	Manteca	2½
7	Sonora	8
11	East Union	4
11	Oakdale	4
2½	Manteca	12½
7	Sonora	8
11	East Union	*



Left: Before the game, Dawn Hudson gets an opportunity to volley with her opponent.  
Upper Right: Karen Smith works to make her backhands more consistent.  
Above: Dianne McHale and Geri Peek use the back wall of the Girls Gym to practice their shots.

Modesto has a long tradition and I am part of that tradition. I think MHS is the best.

—Rosalva Flores





*'This was one of the best seasons MHS has ever had. It may be years before we have another team to match the depth and ability this team possessed.'* —Wayne McGhee

Right, Varsity Basketball Coach Wayne McGhee



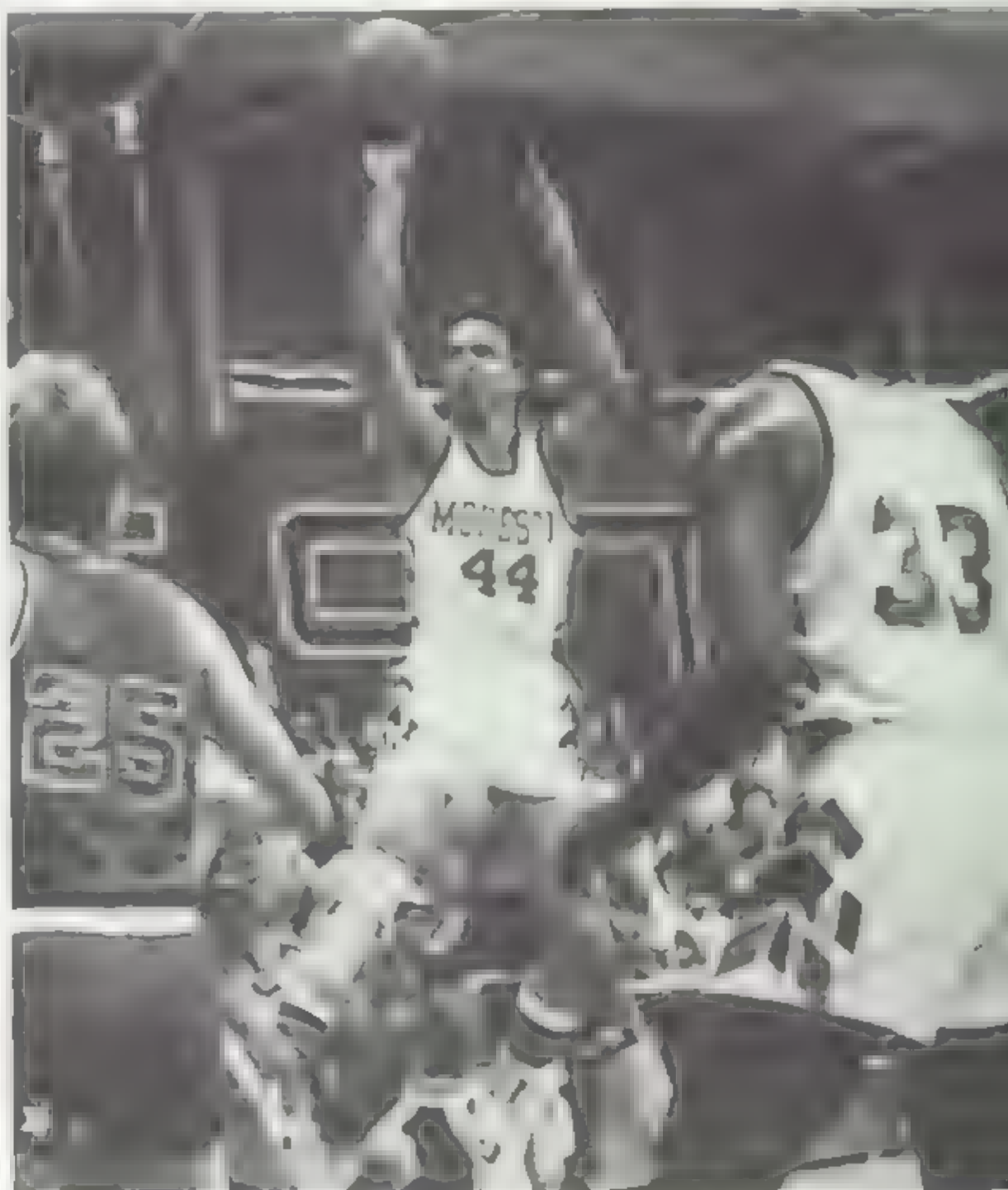
Above, Varsity Basketball Team.  
front row: Sam Gonzales, Ron Dixon, Dino Quinn, Dennis Wend  
back row: Keith Waters, Joe Henri

ques, Anthony Matthews, Sergio Harrison, Brian Kelly, Ryan Edwards, Andy Gonzales, Shawn Valenzuela



### Varsity Basketball W-28 — L-5

Modesto	Opponent	
49	Merced	50
79	Tracy	43
66	St. Mary's	54
80	Central	47
71	East Union	50
88	Los Banos	68
75	Davis	48
48	Atwater	50
79	Ceres	50
55	Turlock	45
51	Bever	44
64	Downey	52
57	Rancho Cordova	56
54	Merced	50
62	Atwater	41
79	Livingston	49
53	Oakdale	46
50	East Union	49
69	Manteca	65
57	Sonora	40
59	Manteca	50
55	Oakdale	49
45	East Union	34
61	Sonora	54
55	Oakdale	45
73	Manteca	59
65	Sonora	56
45	East Union	40
67	Ceres	50
58	El Camino	49
69	East Union	50
59	Hayward	50
34	Menlo	50



Modesto High has always been the "best high school in town" for me. It is a place where staff and students care about each other. After 31 years here, I'm proud to be a part of the MHS Centennial Celebration.  
—John Whitaker





Opposite Page, Top: Outstanding guard Dennis Wend maneuvers his way around an East Union opponent.

Bottom: Sergio Harrison goes for two while Anthony Matthews waits to assist.

This Page, Second Left: Placing the shot right where he wants it, Anthony Matthews keeps Hayward competitors on their toes.

Left: Dino Quinn uses his dribbling skills to get past a Los Banos opponent.

Below: Brian Kelly "jumps a little higher" to get the ball from Ceres.

Lower Center: During the Modesto-Sonoma match at Panther Palace, Dennis Wend gets past two opponents to make his shot.

Lower Left: "General" Ron Dixon wastes no time getting down court past a Manteca Bulldog.



## Panthers shine in new league; take Sac-Joaquin section crown

by Denise Presley

Adjusting to a new league, the VCL did not stop the 1983 Varsity Basketball Team. In fact, it seemed to spark new life into them. Their record, 28-5, was an outstanding feat. Coach Wayne McGhee said, "To win 10 consecutive games is a coach's dream. It was simply amazing that our team won 28 in a single season."

The varsity hoopsters started the season off with a disappointing 49-50 loss to Merced, a loss which was later avenged. The next two games were a win against Tracy 79-43 and a 66-84 loss to St. Mary's, a Division I power. The Panthers followed that loss with three consecutive wins: Central, 80-47; East

Union, 71-51, and Los Banos, 88-68, to win the Modesto City Tournament. Coach McGhee said of the East Union game, "This was the test before the league started and it helped us win the city tournament."

The next loss came two games later to Atwater in the Turlock Tournament. In that same tournament, the Panthers defeated Ceres and Turlock to win the consolation trophy. The next games were against cross-town rivals Beecher and Downey, which were easily defeated 51-44 and 64-52, respectively. In the Atwater Christmas Tournament Modesto defeated Merced 54-32, Atwater 62-41 and Livingston 64-42 to take home the first place trophy. After

the pre-season ended, the team's Christmas vacation was spent getting ready for league play, which started immediately afterwards.

Our first game was against Oakdale, which the Panthers won 53-46. The next game was against East Union, rated first in the league, because they had only lost one game all year—to the Panthers. MHS won 50-49. Assistant coach Paul Abby said, "This was an important one. It set a pattern for the rest of the league play." The next four games were all wins: Manteca 62-55, Sonoma 57-41, Manteca 59-51, and Oakdale 55-44. The next win, our tenth consecutive victory, was again against East Union, 45-34.

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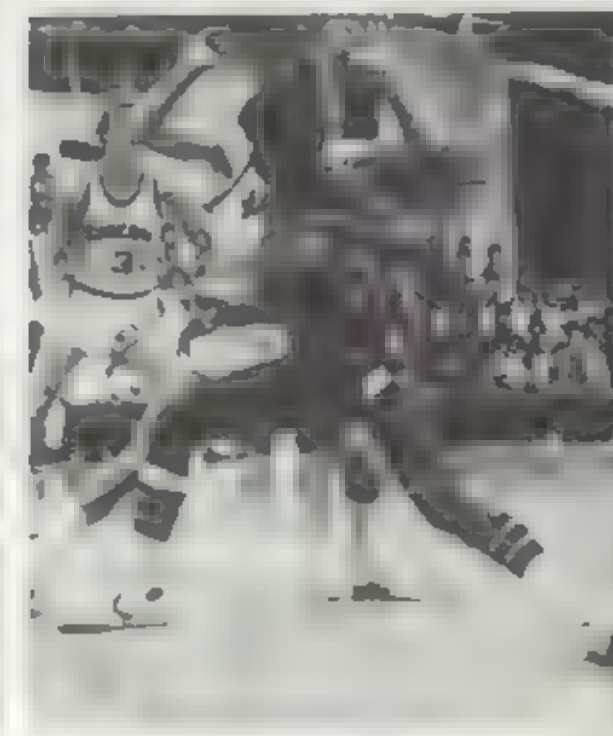
Right, Assistant Varsity Basketball Coach Paul Abby

Right: "Dr. Freeze" Sergio Harrison towers over an opponent to slam the ball for...

Second Right: As Manteca opponents hurry to overtake him, Shawn Valenzuela speeds up-court

Below: At the Nor-Cal Championships Keith Waters concentrates on sinking another two points

Lower Right: Anthony Matthews skillfully makes his way through East Union defenders



## Undefeated league record leads to Nor-Cal championship game

The Modesto team, which has an undefeated league record, will represent the Central Valley in the Nor-Cal championship game. The team, coached by Paul Abby, has won all 12 of its league games. The team's success has earned them a spot in the championship game, which will be held in Modesto. The team's record is a testament to their hard work and dedication to the sport.

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**'To have seven great players on one team is truly remarkable.'** —Paul Abby

Left: Brian Kelly keeps his eyes on a Hayward defender as he skillfully drives down court.

Below: Keith Waters slips past a Central Rider for another two points.

Lower Right: At the section championships, Panthers win Dixon. Keith Waters and Dennis Weed keep watchful eyes on Elvert's next move.

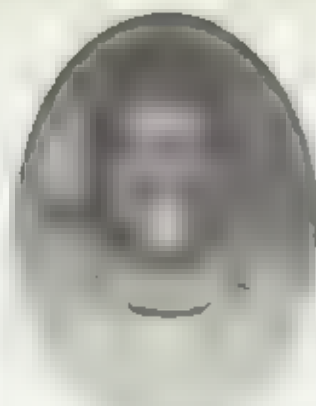
Lower Left: Andy Gorgees says he has to intercept his "shoot for two."



MHS means trust and support between students and faculty. That makes me proud to be a Panther!  
Tim Hodge







*'Whenever Pat, Dave, and Jesus were playing well the rest of the team usually was up to the same level.'*

*—Jim Thrasher*

Left, Sophomore Basketball Coach James Thrasher



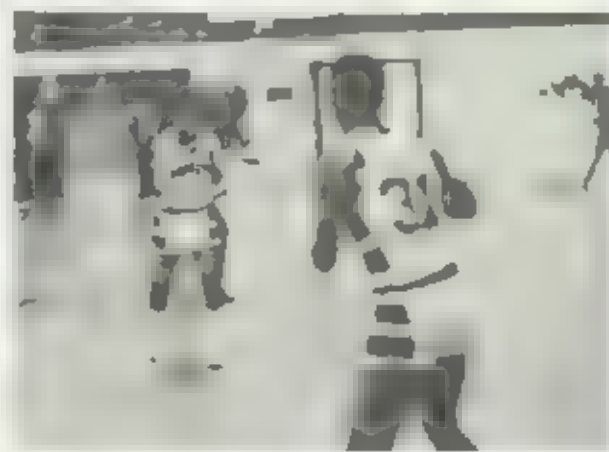
Above, Sophomore Basketball Team, front row: Mario Gonzalez, Orlando Madrid, Danny Sabido, David Wilson, back row: [names obscured]

Modesto Junior Shards: Mario Gonzalez, Orlando Madrid, Danny Sabido, David Wilson, back row: [names obscured]



### Sophomore Basketball W-6 — L-13

Modesto	Opponent	
81	Merced	69
29	Oriskany	39
26	St. Mary's	87
56	Davis	47
5	Bever	39
46	Dawney	38
44	Cordova	5
55	Oakdale	64
33	East Union	6
59	Manteca	61
69	Sonora	53
56	Manteca	1
45	Oakdale	49
45	East Union	45
23	Sonora	33
68	Oakdale	57
5	Manteca	33
33	Sonora	56
5	East Union	37



Above: Mario Gonzalez passes off teammate Patrick Peters on. Left: High point Panther class Metadone pops in an outside jumper against East Union. Upper Left: Orlando Madrid takes advantage of lax defense with an outside jumper.

Modesto High is the best, the most spirited! That's why I am proud to be a Panther.

*—Deanna Rodriguez*

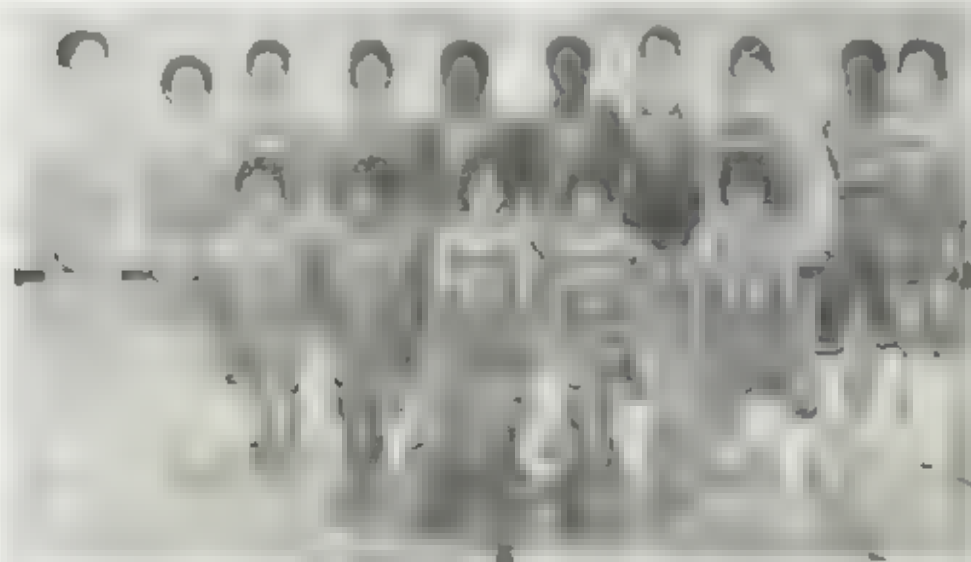




*'The boys had a rough season, but Martin Sandoval really kept the team going, no matter what the score.'*

*—Todd Sevick*

Right, Freshman Basketball Coach Todd Sevick



Above, Freshman Basketball Team, front row: Jose Sarmiento, Jesse Norflis, Jerry Lara, Roger Wani, Mario Reyes, back row:

Tony Buenrostro, David Ramirez, Martin Sandoval, Mike Rosa, Louis Bland, Gary Harley, Greg Deeter, Mike Bowling, Fred Davis, Esman Gomez



Above: Leaping high over a Manteca defender Martin Sandoval uses a back hook for another two points

Right: Mario Reyes wastes no time getting around his competitor

Upper Right: David Ramirez looks for a clean shot while concentrating on getting around his opponents



I am continuing a family tradition by attending Modesto High. We all think MHS is #1!

—Jim Gayle





Second Left: As Martin Sandoval gets the jump on Sonora, David Ramirez and Mike Bowling wait to assist

Left: As opponents watch for a rebound, David Ramirez shoots for the basket

Below: While Mario Reyes keeps competitors on the defense, Jerry Lara gets above one to make a shot

Lower Left: As Greg Deeter holds off defenders, David Ramirez makes a pass to a fellow Panther



# Panther kittens face problems; fumble through dismal season

by Denise Presley

**T**he Panther kittens had many problems facing them: a new first year coach and a new league, and they lost five of their best players to the sophomore team. These problems contributed to the 10 league losses and the 4 practice game losses. Coach Todd Sevick said, "It was my first year as a coach; we were in a new league and lost a lot of players. Altogether these three things had a considerable impact on attitude and performance." The Kitten's league record was 2-10 and 4-14 over.

Leading the team on the court and at practice was all-star forward Martin Sandoval. Martin averaged 18.6 points a game and 12 rebounds. The team

averaged 31.2 points and 25 rebounds. His attitude kept the team going no matter what the score, and Sevick. Also contributing to the offensive attack were forward Mario Reyes and guard Mike Reyes. Feeding them the necessary passes in order that they could score were guard David Ramirez and center David "Stork" Baker. These players combined made an pretty effective offense.

Defense, on the other hand, was very weak. "They lacked height and speed, and an effective press which is necessary in freshman basketball," observed varsity coach Wayne McCreary. Although the tallest player was 6'7", the next tallest was 6'5", while most teams

average 5'11" or 5'8". On defense the team averaged eight steals a game and 16 defensive rebounds.

At the awards banquet in March outstanding players were given awards chosen by the team. Most Valuable Player was given to Martin Sandoval, the team captain on and off the court. Most Inspirational was given to Mike Reyes who could always be heard giving encouragement and inspiration to his teammates. Most Improved Player went to a guy who when he started the year couldn't dribble without walking and couldn't move the ball without double dribbling, yet ended the season as a starter, David Baker.



# New girls coach and team work hard to hold back competitors

by Dalinda Angelo

**P**roducting an overall record of 17 wins and 13 losses, the hard-working Girls Varsity Basketball Team gained valuable techniques and experience throughout the season playing against their red-hot scoring team. The Panthers girls rely on their team defense to stay in the ball games.

Under strict supervision of new coach Ron Smith, the team during the season showed promise when the girls beat Downey 53-42 for the consolation trophy at the Escalante Tournament. Melinda Lee won the consolation trophy at the Downey Tournament as Silvia Chavez led a defensive charge to beat Hagerman by one point after being down by 10 points in the last quarter.

The Panther Girls played as tough a defense as any team in the Valley Oak League. The team showed offensive patience and strong skills as shown by their 2-1 league record.

Janeor Melinda Lee led the team in overall production and scoring. She finished with the highest shooting percentage in the league in goals and free throws and was second in rebounding. Lisa Andrews also led the team in rebounding and landed second in player production in steals and field goal percentage. Silvia Chavez ranked tops in the league with an impressive 16 steals. The most valuable player award went to Melinda Lee who also was named to the VOL second team. Lisa Andrews received honorable mention. Most im-

proved recognition went to sophomore Melinda Summers as a second team promise for 1984.

Seniors on the 1983 team were Diane Ranuio (all tournament player), Silvia Chavez and Ver. Thomas. The remaining members will definitely miss their great defensive abilities.

A special team thanks goes to Mr. George Dixon for his dedication in taking charge of every 7th period practice while Coach Smith taught his math class.

When asked how he felt about next year's team, Coach Smith concludes, "No team in the VOL will be weaker next year, so we will have to work harder than the other teams to improve our trash. I'm sure we can!"



Above: Lynette Ingram out-steps her opponent as Melinda Lee follows the play.

Upper Left: Silvia Chavez drives down the court as Melinda Lee hurries to set up the offense.

Right: Diane Ranuio soars above an Oakdale opponent as she scores two points for the Panthers.





**'We improved a lot, and next year we plan to be in the play-offs along with our brilliant boys team.'** —Ron Smith

Left, Girls Basketball Coach Ron Smith



Above, Girls Basketball Team, front row: Mona Simmons, Silvia Chavez, Bridgette Simmons, Diane Ranuio, Lynette Ingram. back row: Vera Thomas, Melinda Lee, Patricia Williams, Lisa Andrews



Girls Varsity Basketball		
W-9 — L-13		
Modesto	Opponent	
45	Hilmar	4
51	Tracy	38
65	Calaveras	65
65	Escalon JV	52
55	Beyer	42
54	Beyer	6
56	Amador	51
52	Escalon	54
4	Ceres	26
47	Hughson	54
64	Oakdale	45
58	Last Union	5
56	Manteca	
58	Sonora	67
	Manteca	66
57	Oakdale	68
57	East Union	52
52	Sonora	63
55	Oakdale	54
57	Manteca	65
6	Sonora	55
4	East Union	64

Left: Showing form and concentration, Lynette Ingram scores two points with a jump shot  
 Second Left: Melinda Lee battles for position with an Oakdale opponent in hopes of retrieving the rebound  
 Center Left: With a look of anticipation, Silvia Chavez hopes for two more as Melinda Lee watches in the back court  
 Upper Left: In a pre-game strategy session, Coach Ron Smith explains a new defensive plan as Lisa Andrews and Lynnette Ingram listen





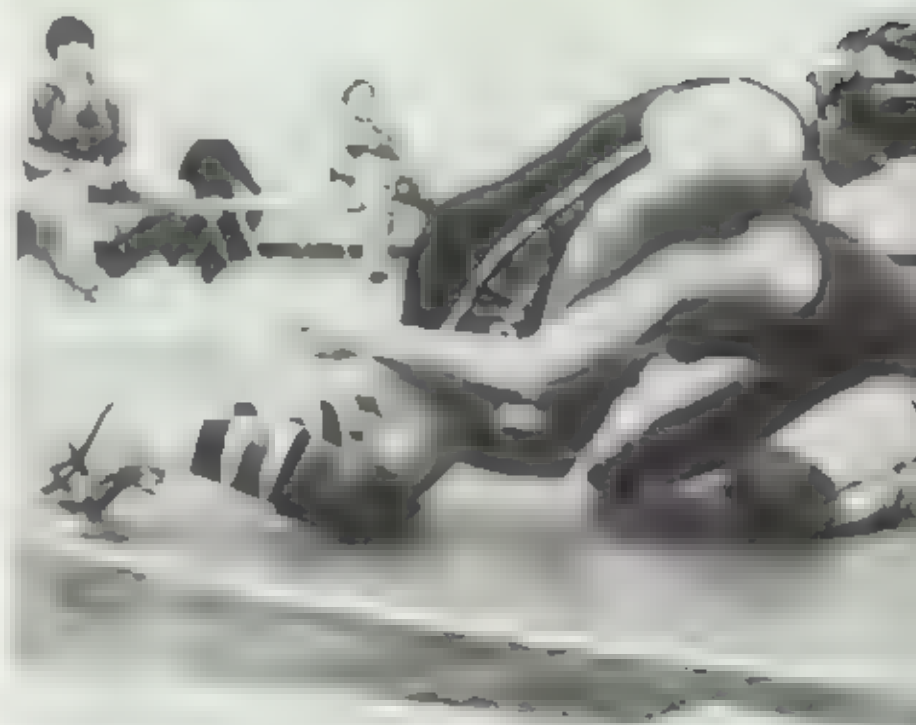
**'It was an outstanding season for five Modesto High grapplers as they won their weight classes and were champions.'**  
—John Miller



Right, Wrestling Coach John Miller



Above, Wrestling Team, front row: Marcos Madrid, Darren Jenkins, Mark Ortega, Troy Arias, Robert Page, Lee Butler, center second row: Renee Sackett, Jerry Rocha, Art Guerrero, Troy Rocha, back row: Douglas Williams, Ricky Arias, Joe Mendonca, Brian Nix, Steve Sackett, Richard Rushing

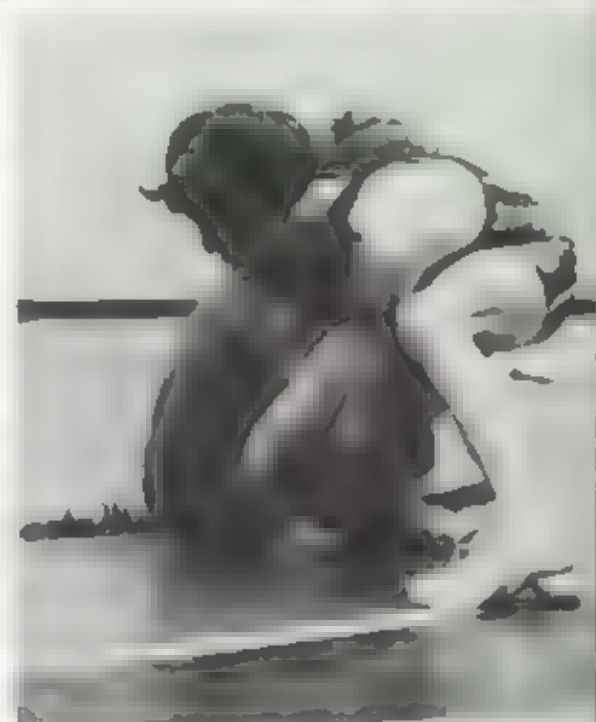


### Wrestling League Standings

Oakdale	4-0
Sonora	3-1
Manteca	2-2
Modesto	1-3
East Union	0-4



Above, Joe Mendonca pulls a reversal on his opponent to gain the tights.  
Upper Right, Jerry Rocha maneuvers his opponent into a pin position.  
Center Right, Shiva Sackett easily tips his toe into a pin position.  
Right, forced onto his head, Troy Arias struggles to regain the upper hand.  
Second Right, Lee Butler easily takes advantage of his opponent's awkward position.



# Wrestlers produce five individual champions in new league

by Connie Dias  
and Lori Howell

**A**lthough the Mustangs were faced with tough opponents, they were

in a good, respectable season to senior Brian Nevitt. They placed third at the league tournament and sent some of their best wrestlers to the sub-sections. However, the league championship was not able to garner fourth place in the Valley Oak League standing, with a record of 1-3.

The Mustangs' most successful wrestler was sophomore Robby Gratton in the 107 pound category. One of the more outstanding players of the team for his impressive achievements. He placed third at the

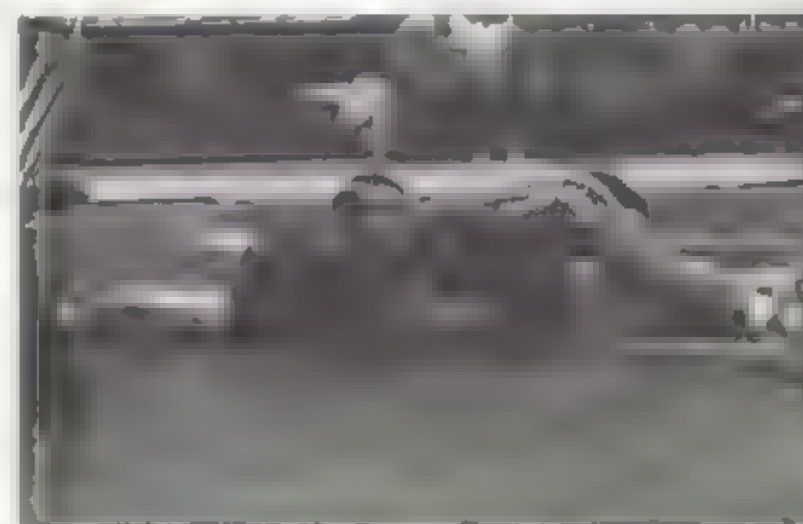
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also was the sub-section champion in the 113 weight class, and Marcos Madrid was



Left: While his competitor holds firm ground, Tim Gorne works at gaining control  
Upper Right: With a strong hold on his Hughson opponent, Troy Grays pins him for a win  
Above: While his victim struggles to regain control, Leroy Grays keeps him securely pinned

To go to Modesto High you must have a lot of things, but the main thing is Panther Pride!  
—Trevor Taylor



# Varsity, JV Panthers boot VOL for championship crown, 2nd place

by Debbie Bowling

**T**he Soccer season could be summed up in one word: fabulous. The season didn't start too well, but after becoming used to new defenders, the MHS soccer players conquered the VOL. The varsity team and the Junior Varsity took well earned second in their first year VOL members. The twenty varsity players worked together, each helping each other to improve their skills. They competed with a "heads up" attitude, which led them to obtain the championship title. Beginning in October, Mr. J. Guerrero started gathering his team together. Everyone who participated stayed throughout the season. The var-

sity record of 12-1-7 clinched first place. The JV record of 6-1-3 took second.

Chosen the Most Valuable Player of the varsity was junior Armando Espinoza who scored 19 goals, and is expected to be a real asset in 1984. Richard Imfeld was named Most Improved Player. A senior, he played the position of goalie, blocking many opponents' goal attempts. Best Defensive Player Jerry Dias gave his whole body to hold off the attacks of many competitors. "In the end it all paid off," said Jerry. "Each player felt the reward that victory brought."

At the Junior Varsity level, ten players worked hard to obtain a second

place VOL title. Hector Villapudua was honored in being named Most Valuable Player. Hector described the season by saying, "We did a really great job considering the small number of people on the team. All the team members put an extra amount of effort into the games."

For both MHS soccer teams, the 1983 season was a great ego builder. Although soccer is a rough sport, every player managed to come through each game with no worse than a few scratches. The accomplishments made by all the participants, and with many of the varsity returning next year, 1984 will be a season anxiously awaited for.



Above: JV Soccer Team, front row: Juan Esparza, Pedro Dominguez, Dennis Brophy; back row: Artemio Quintana, Jesus Ascencio, Humberto Lopez, Phil Cearley, Denise Presley, Jerry Miller.



Above: Team mates Denise Presley and Artemio Quintana survive Manteca's JV defense.

Right: Although surrounded by Oakdale attackers, Tony Angel manages to kick his way



As an alumnus and now as a member of the MHS staff, I am proud to be a part of the Modesto High Centennial and its proud tradition. —Mike Kivori





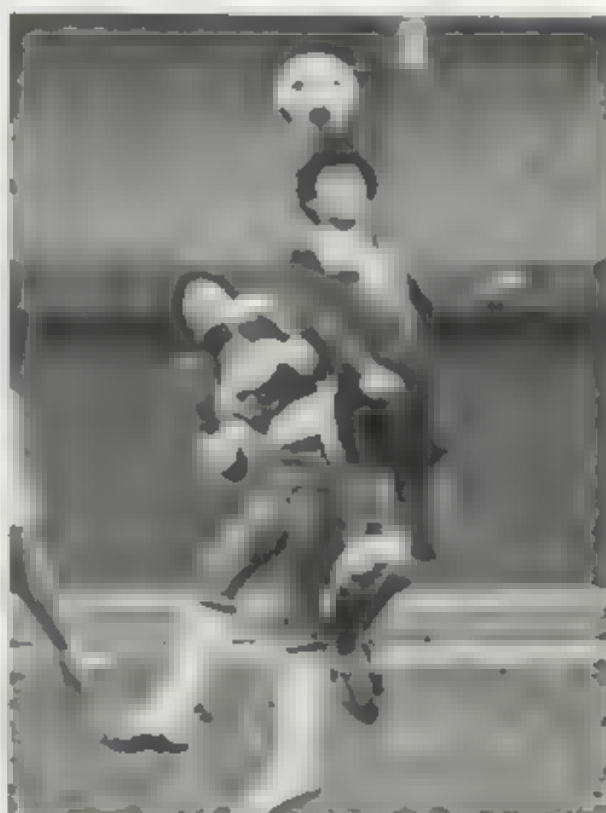
**'We did really well because we had many quality players. We had depth and strength because our bench was good.'**  
—Jose Guerrero

Left, Soccer Coach Jose Guerrero



Above, Varsity Soccer Team, front row — Jesus Ascencio, Jesus Brambila, Armando Espinoza, Justin Smith, Marvin Rosa, Ben Ambrose, Jose

Serrano, back row — Dennis Brophy, Herman Carter, Carlos Pinche, Tim Green, Ozzie Fox, Cory Davis, Jaime Magana, Eddie Ponce



### Varsity Soccer W-12 — T-1 — L-7 Modesto Opponent

3	Turlock	4
2	Beyer	5
0	Clovis	4
0	Hanford	4
0	McLain	6
5	Turlock	4
1	Davis	4
1	Beyer	3
4	Central	0
2	Livingston	0
4	Oakdale	1
5	East Union	1
4	Manteca	1
0	Oakdale	1
6	East Union	1
2	Manteca	0
0	Oakdale	1
4	East Union	2
5	Manteca	0
3	Beyer	3



Left: As Jesus Ascencio comes up on an opponent, Artemio Quintana concentrates on dribbling toward the goal.

Center Left: Dribbling the ball past an East Union defender, Jaime Magana makes his way downfield as Ozzie Fox follows close behind.

Center Right: Artemio Quintana reads the ball away from East Union's control.

Upper Left: Marvin Rosa gets the ball right where he wants it before shooting for a goal.



Below: Patrick Peterson strains for those extra inches as he makes another outstanding jump  
 Right: Leading man on the relay team, Sam Cousins jumps to a quick start  
 Second Right: Long distance runner John Shaw concentrates to keep a steady pace  
 Lower Right, Varsity Track Team, front row: Tommy Warren, Troy Campbell, Jerry Dias, Carlos Pineda, Dennis Brophy, Marvin Davis, back row: Galdino Ramirez, Richard Moreno, Richard Imfeld, Hector Barraza, John Shaw, Dino Quinn, Patrick Peterson



## Drive and endurance lead Varsity, JV tracksters to good season

by Tommy Warren

**I**n recent years Modesto High has produced some of the best track and field competitors in the entire district. The 1983 season was no exception.

Members of the Boys Track Teams craved a winning season, and did their part in trying to make that dream a reality. Those involved faithfully showed up every day after school to stretch and strengthen their muscles, run numerous laps, and increase their endurance level, all undergone in the hope of improving their performances at meets.

At the JV level, Tim Gorne and Morey Bland were among the leaders of the underclassmen team. The JV

tracksters were loaded with potential and ability, but were plagued by non-involvement. Despite the small size of their squad, they still brought home honors from every meet.

Weather conditions also plagued the performances of both the JV and Varsity squads. The cold, wet and windy days early in the season brought several casualties along the road. Heavy rains often caused cancelations or postponements at the beginning of the season, but bad weather never dampened the positive attitude of every member.

Among the Varsity Team, hopes were high for a successful first season in the VOL. A number of boys did exceptionally well in their respective events.

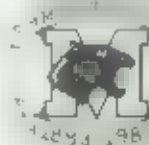
Sophomore Patrick Peterson excelled in both triple jump and long jump.

Sprinters Dino Quinn and Marvin Davis kept the Panthers on top in the 100 and 220 meter sprints. They both were also leg runners in the 440 relay. Hurdler Tommy Warren came on strong in the beginning of the season with a top time in the 120 high hurdles, but due to an early-season injury, he was forced to help out the Panthers from the sidelines.

Seniors Jerry Dias and Richard Imfeld did a great job in the discus and shot put, while Carlos Pineda, Troy Campbell, Dennis Brophy, and '82 CCC champ John Shaw took over the long distance runs.

Modesto High means to me a lot of good times, great memories, and a super education

—Tami Nevitt





Head Coach John Miller, Assistant Coaches Mike Kiyoi, Jose Guerrero



Left: JV runner Fred Davis stretches forward to get a fast start. Above, JV Track Team, front row: Leonard Wheaton, James In-

gram, Morey Bland, Fred Davis back row: Bill Sciarini, Richard Moreno, Gary Hurley, Tim Gorne Charles Light



Left: Panthers Mike Alberto and Patrick Ketchum make their way through the pack  
Second Left: Marvin Davis struggles to get as much distance as he can in the long jump  
Center Left: Senior Andy Gonzales bends to successfully complete his high jump attempt  
Center: With a look of determination on his face, Jose Sarmiento heads for the finish with fellow Panther Patrick Ketchum close behind  
Above: In the 70's high hurdle race, Tommy Warren Keeps ahead of Davis and Manteca

**'Setting records, winning meets; this was the best season Girls Track has ever had.'**  
**Van Valdez**

Right, Girls Track Coach Van Valdez



Above, Girls Track Team, front row: Michelle Foust, M'Linda Nunez, Yolanda Madrigal, Sarah Gonzalez, Betty Chavez, Sabrina Olney, Manbin Khaira, Vera

Thomas, Deanna Rodriguez, back row: Mona Simmons, Gwen Dooley, Angie Wheeler, Bridgette Simmons, Samantha Lee, Carla Jarvis, Brenna Norris, Melinda Lee, Diane Ranuio, Becky Peeper



Above: Sophomore Brenna Norris uses all her strength to obtain a good shot put throw  
 Upper Left: Mona Simmons comes in ahead of Panther teammate M Linda Nunez in the 220  
 Upper Center: Mona Simmons strives for another win in the 100  
 Right: Attempting to pass her opponent, Bridgette Simmons sails over the top in the 110 low hurdles







Opposite Page, Top: Bridgette Simmons accepts the handoff from Melinda Nunez and heads for the finish line

Opposite Page, Center Right: Betty Chavez concentrates on her pace in the mile run

This Page, Second Left: Senior standout Diane Ranuio stretches her jump as far as possible

Left: Mona Simmons holds firm ground after a great jump

Below: Frosh standout Becky Peeper keeps a good pace as she comes up on a Bever opponent

Lower Left: Freshman Bridgette Simmons finishes her leg of the 440 relay and hands off to junior Melinda Lee



# Girls team overcomes weather, new league; set 4 new records

by Tommy Warren

**T**he key to success for the Girls Track Team were teamwork, endurance, and pride. Sprinting, long distance, and events, the team had it all.

For past years, the team had been plagued with problems, along with the teams of other area schools, but in 1983, noninvolvement was not the problem. Coach Van Valdez said, "The girls I had this year were very talented, and we had a fairly large team to work with, which helped us out tremendously."

Bridgette Simmons and Melinda Nunez led the freshman members. Their ability in sprinting was well appreciated. Along with them, sophomore Mona Simmons, junior Melinda Lee, and senior Diane Ranuio excelled in each of their respective events. Diane and Melinda concentrated on the long jump and triple jump, while Mona was the top competitor in the 100 and 220 meter runs.

Running long distance was strict determination and endurance. Michele Foust, Sarah Gonzales, Yolanda Madrigal, and Betty Chavez had these

qualities and ran the longer races for the Panthers.

Although the weather affected the Girls Team as well as the Boys Teams, it didn't stop them from having some excellent performances. At one meet, Mona Simmons broke her own record in the 100 meter, along with breaking two other records (including the long jump) that had stood for three years.

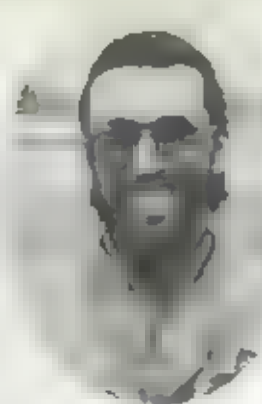
Overcoming weather conditions and other problems that occurred, the 1983 Girls Track Team went the distance and made the most out of their first season in the VOL.

Modesto High School is of the highest quality and I'm very proud of it as a school and to have been a part of its tradition and heritage. MHS will always hold a special place in my heart  
—Karl Finch

**'We had the most talent I've seen since coming to MHS.'**  
—Jess Garcia



Right, Varsity Softball Coach Jess Garcia



**'We had better pitching and more talent than we've ever had before; we had the potential to win the league.'**  
—Denise Presley

Left, JV Softball Coach Frank Jenkins



Above, Varsity Softball Team  
front row: Stephanie Heersink, Kelly James, Sandy Rimes, Amber Kiersey, Amy Verissimo, Denise Presley, Scott Oliver; back row:

Teresa Case, Lisa Andrews, Pauline Anaya, Rachel Cole, Sheryl Hardenbrook, Becky Stearns, Catherine Mihelis, Stacy Lanphear, coach Jess Garcia.



Above, JV Softball Team, front row: Kristi Nielson, Charlotte Parker, Trena New, Cindy Vermeulen, Deanna Haro, Ludy Veldhuizen, Della Redding.

back row: Coach Frank Jenkins, Shannon Pearson, Angel Raza, Jennifer Azevedo, Stephanie Presley, Hong Thai, Michael Ehrler, Barbie Imtress, Trena Ingram.



Above, Senior Sheryl Hardenbrook easily beats a Downton pick-off attempt.  
Upper Left: Sophomore Anne Verissimo slides in to third under a late throw by Ceres.  
Upper Right: With a look of determination Stephanie Presley lays down an easy base hit.  
Right: Keeping a watchful eye on the pitcher, Becky Stearns cautiously leads off.  
Second Right: Pauline Anaya heads for second after belting a long fly.





Second Left: Between innings, Anne Verissimo practices her fielding abilities  
Left: Before a game, Stephanie Presley warms up with her teammates  
Below: Senior fielder Sandi Grover listens in disbelief to an umpire's decision  
Lower Center: Second baseman Stephanie Heersink prepares to put the tag on a Downey player  
Lower Left: Lisa Andrews prepares to put one over the fence during the season game



## Softball talents break 46-game losing streak with victory string

by Sheryl Hardenbrook

**A** 46-game losing streak was finally broken by the Girls Varsity Softball Team when they won their first game, a 8 to 3 victory over East Union, to open the 1983 campaign. The Panthers continued their winning ways with victories over Downey and East Union early in the year. This was only the start of a good season for the Panthers.

"We had a very young team this year but it's the most talent I've seen since I came to MHS," stated Coach Jess Garcia.

The Varsity Team was fortunate to have six returning members, three seniors and three juniors. Leading the team's offensive drive, with powerful

seniors Stacy Lanphear, Denise Presley, and Michelle also led the team in pitching. Denise Presley was strong as catcher.

Defensive players included Sandi Grover, who listened in disbelief to an umpire's decision.

Heersink, second baseman, and third baseman, Anne Verissimo. Cathie Verissimo, Stacy Lanphear share the position in the outfield. Lisa Andrews, first baseman, and

Sandi Grover

Although our team was young, we were all equally talented and experienced, stated senior Sheryl Hardenbrook. This experience and versatility made a difference in the results of the season after more than four years of losing.

Under coach Frank Jenkins, the JV team had an equally good season with five returning players. The freshmen who participated were willing to learn fast and play hard, enabling them key factors of the team. This showed up in their first game of the season, a win against Manteca, and continued throughout the year.



It makes me feel special just to take part in an event such as the Centennial Celebration

—Holly Beatty



# Bad weather alters early schedule; debut in new league delayed

by Rhonda Albright  
and Denise Presley

Several obstacles stood in the way of the Boys Varsity Baseball Team joining a new league and tackling adverse weather conditions were the most obvious of those, but contending with the success of a league champion ship last year also proved difficult at times. Coach Marty Boer said, "Despite the bad weather and changing leagues, this year's team gelled together to form a tough and competitive ball club. I know some of the other teams regarded us as the VOL favorites, but I cautioned the guys not to get overconfident."

Facing new competition, unfamiliar

faces, and different coaching styles, the MHS baseball team started the '83 season with blindfolds on their eyes. The Panthers had nine returning seniors, four of them starters, plus one returning junior, also on the starting lineup. Boer recalled, "It was hard to predict how well our team would do at the season's start. I figured that Manteca and Modesto would battle it out all season, which is exactly what happened."

Because of the rain, the team started practice one week later than scheduled just when it finally seemed like baseball weather had come to stay, it rained again, forcing practice games to be cancelled and league play to start a

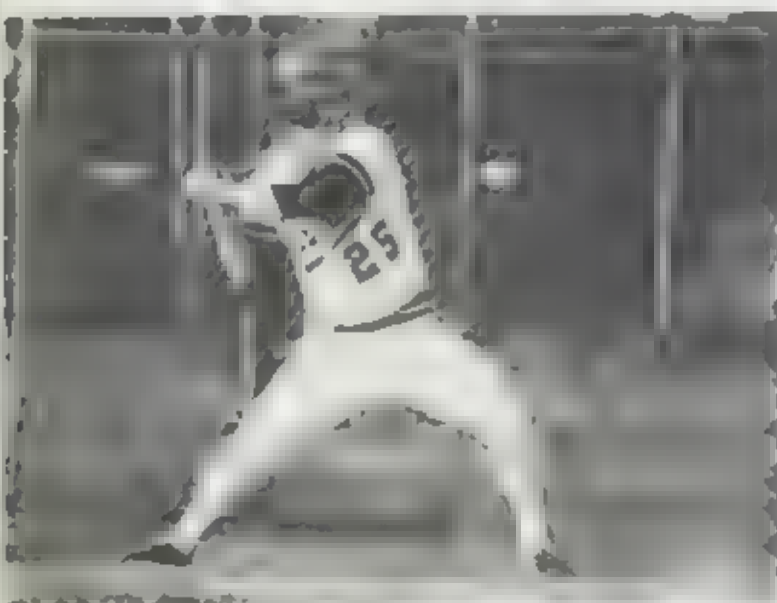
week late. Although in the first few games the Panthers' performances were uneven as they showed the effects of lack of practice, it didn't take them long to get back into the swing of things.

Coming away from the CCC league championship of last year, the varsity team was inspired by the accomplishment of the previous year and determined to have a repeat. "The boys knew what they had to do to have another successful season. They had to make sacrifices and pull together as a team. Also, they had to support one another despite every problem and keep a positive attitude," remarked Boer.

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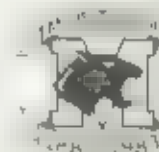


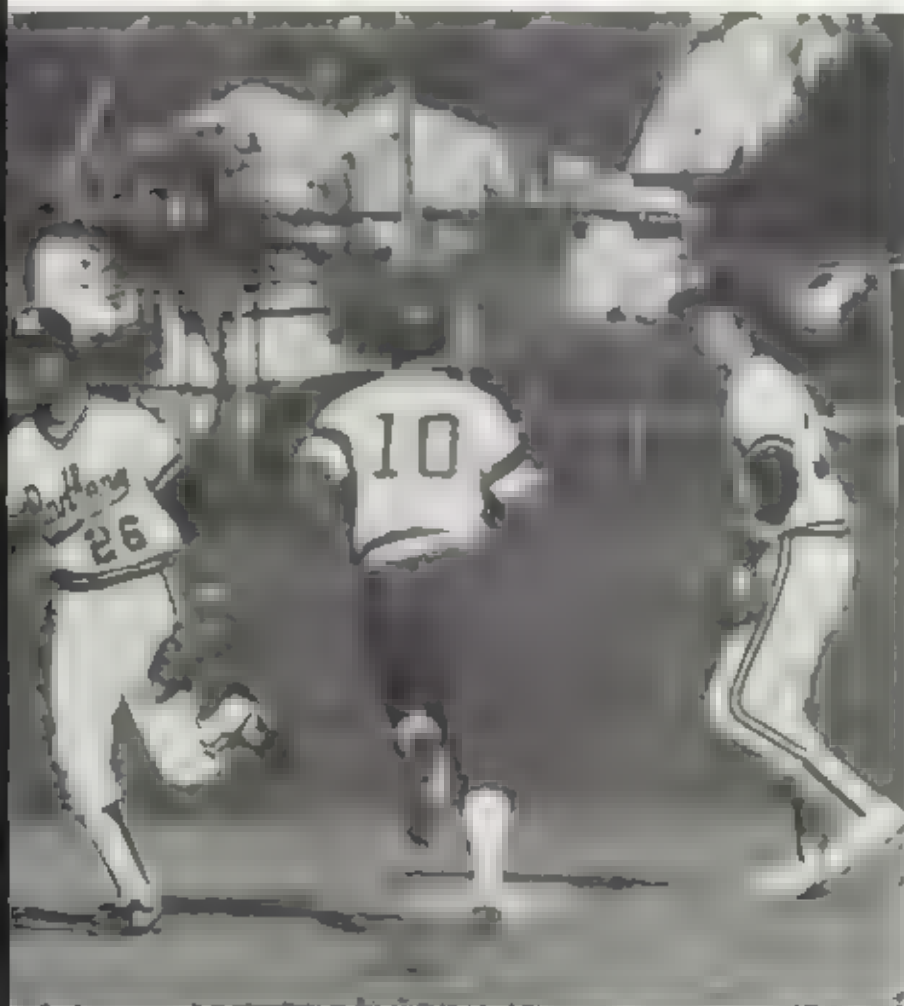
Above: Dennis Wend steps in to get a good hit  
Upper Left: Pitcher Shannon Nicholson drives one into the plate  
Right: Randy Dill gets a firm grip on his catch while keeping an eye on the outfield



MHS is a magnificent collage it contains a variety of architectural styles, a diverse and talented staff, and a student body representing a bewildering array of ethnic groups and cultures; producing knowledgeable and worthwhile citizens

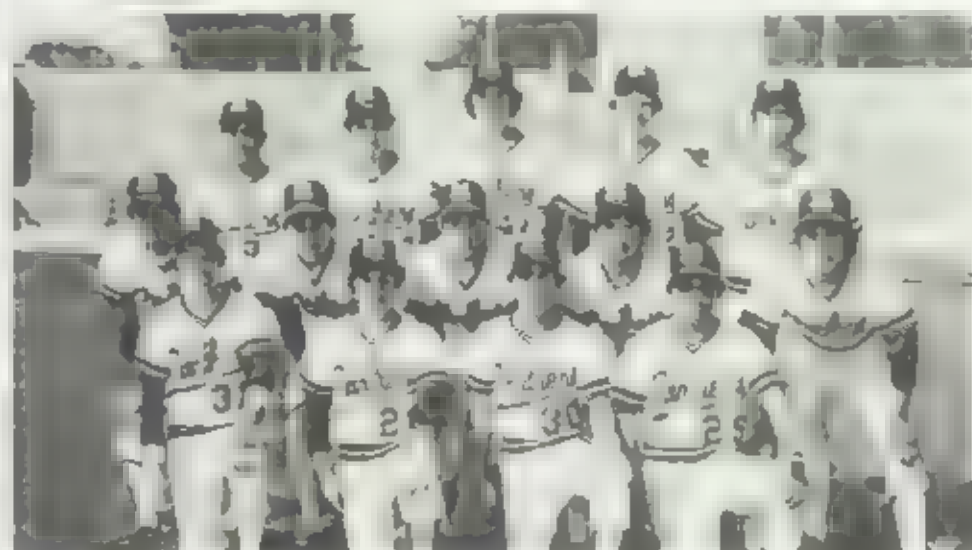
—Marvin Lundquist





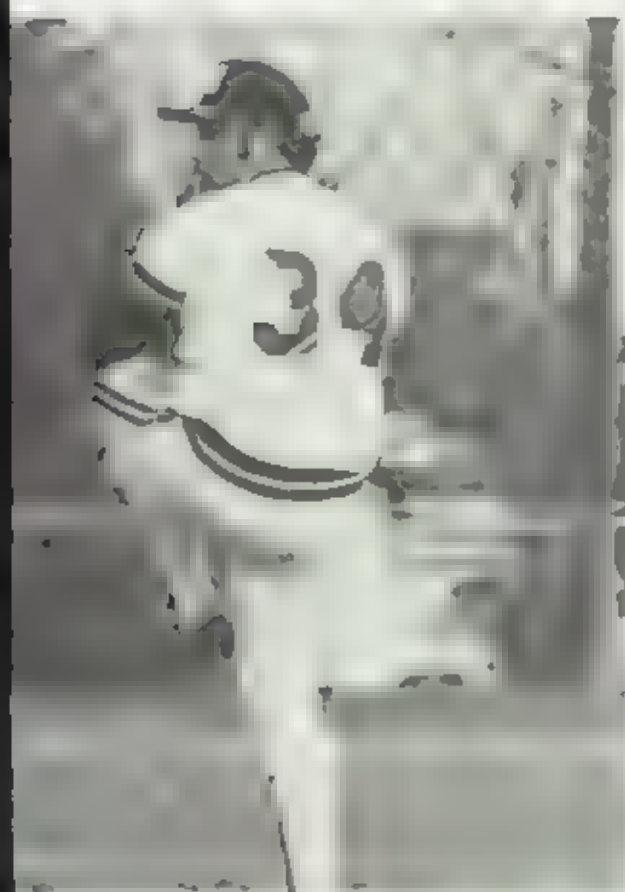
**'The boys knew what they had to do to have a successful season, and they went out and did it.'**  
**—Marty Boer**

Left, Varsity Baseball Coach Marty Boer  
 Second Left: After tagging his opponent out, shortstop Humberto Urquidez, along with second baseman J.B. Nicholson, prepares to go in



Above, Varsity Baseball Team, front row: J.B. Nicholson, Vince Furtado, Melvin Borja, Daniel Nava. second row: Humberto Urquidez,

Shannon Nicholson, Jeff Bradley, Felipe Ybarra, Butch Elinburg. back row: Francisco Lopez, Jessie Mendoza, Tony Reis, David Zehnder, Randy Dill



Above: Keeping an eye on the ball, Felipe Ybarra puts it right where he wants it  
 Left: Shannon Nicholson stretches to his fullest extent to catch a line drive  
 Second Left: Outfielder Butch Elinburg concentrates on the best place to throw the ball  
 Upper Left: Pitcher Francisco Lopez prepares to throw a curve ball  
 Upper Center: Vince Furtado slams one out field

# Good team efforts contribute to successful season for sluggers

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**I**n spite of all the problems we've had to face this year, this team pulled together in time for their first few games of the season and I looked forward to an excellent year," recalled six year Coach Marty Boer. In pre season play the Panthers won 4 of 7 games, including placing second in the Dick Windemuth Easter Classic.

"In order to have a good team, you must have good pitchers. I feel that the Panther pitchers were as good as or better than any in our league," said new assistant coach Ron Smith. The pitching staff was led by returning senior Dan Medved.

Also contributing to the staff were juniors Humberto Urquidez, Dennis Nava and Vince Furtado. Together they proved to be very competitive, managing to keep hits and walks to a minimum.

Also during the Panthers were strong, especially in the infield. Left fielder first baseman David Zehnder, catcher Randy Dill and shortstop Humberto Urquidez, few errors were made. In the middle of second base were I. B. Nicholson and Miguel Boria and at third base were Shannon Nicholson and Vince Furtado. In the outfield were veterans Felipe Ybarra and Dennis Wend along with first year player Butch Elinburg in

right field. Also helping out in the outfield was senior Jeff Bradley.

Needless to say, the single most important aspect of baseball is hitting. In this field MHS was especially strong. Randy "Bomber" Dill and Dennis Wend led the team with averages of .387 each. Following close behind were Felipe Ybarra, Shannon Nicholson and I. B. Nicholson. Other team members were also consistent in their batting, giving depth to the Panther's scoring efforts.

"This season was definitely an entire team effort," said Dennis Wend. "I feel that everyone contributed everything they had to the team this year."

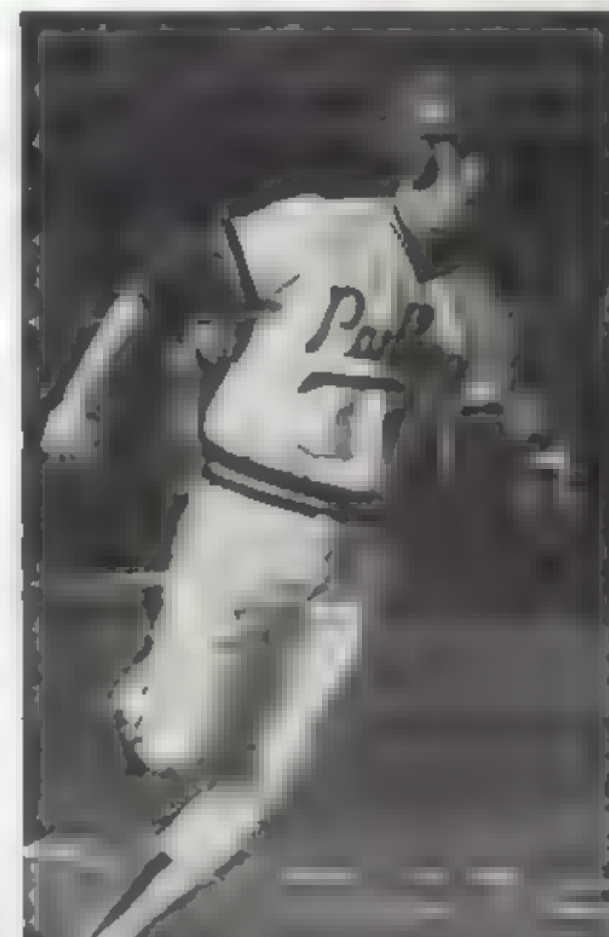


Above: Batter I.B. Nicholson waits for the right pitch to get him on base

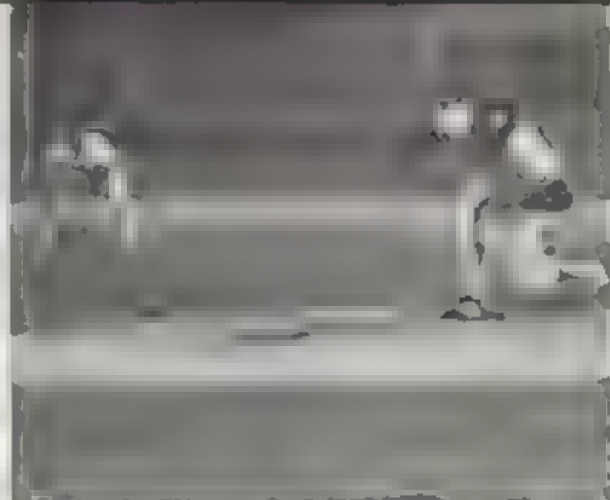
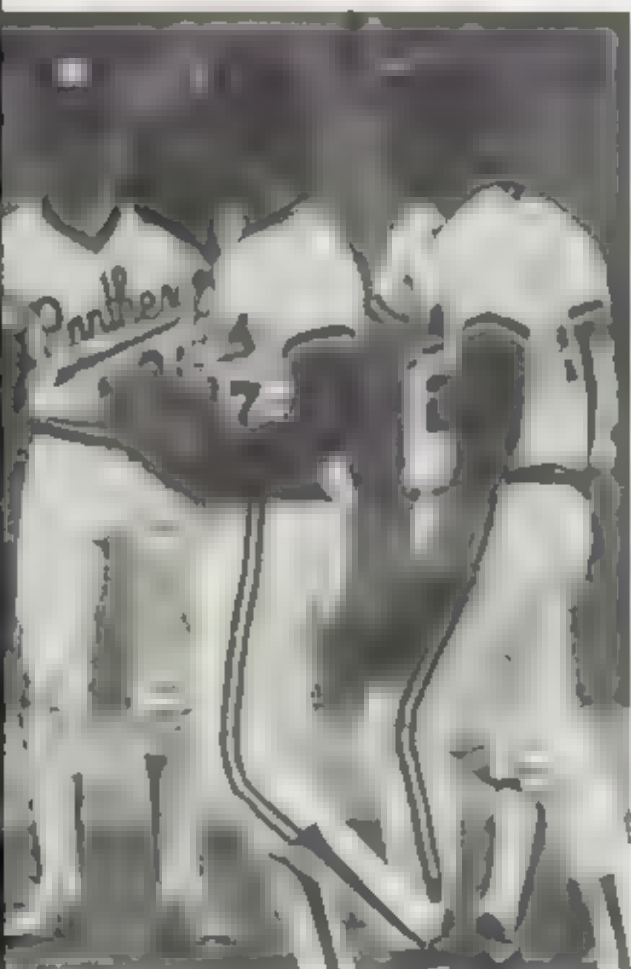
Upper Right: First baseman David Zehnder keeps his eye on the runner and his glove out for the throw

Right: Felipe Ybarra waits for a chance to steal second base

Second Right: David Zehnder rounds third on his way to home plate







**Left:** While Downey coaches watch from the sidelines, David Zehnder slams one out to left field

**Upper Left:** Team members Jesse Mendoza, David Zehnder, and Shannon Nicholson have one last conference before taking their positions on the field

**Upper Center:** As Francisco Lopez fires in a curve, Shannon Nicholson prepares for a grounder

**Center:** Coach Marty Boer gives Melvin Borja some last minute tips before the start of the game

**Upper Right:** As a Downey competitor reaches for the ball, Melvin Borja slips in to grab second base

**Above:** Pitcher Francisco Lopez "reels" one in for a strike



Modesto High is the best—forget the rest!  
—Virgil Augsbury

**'We had a good team this year  
with the talent to finish at the  
top.'**  
—David Wilson



Right, Sophomore Baseball Coach Dan Guzzi  
Second Right: Catcher Walter Sutton doesn't re-  
ceive the throw in time to tag out a Ceres opponent

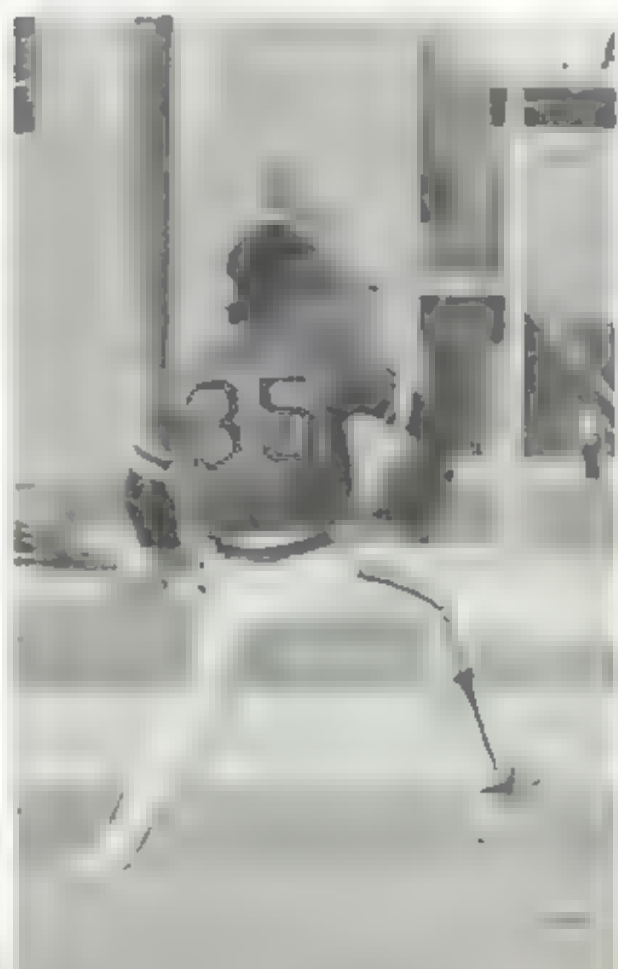


Above, Sophomore Baseball  
Team, front row: Shon Williams,  
Lincoln O'Keefe, Orlando Madrid,  
Les Kilcrease second row: Walter

Sutton, Butch Coonce, Philip  
Medrano, Mark Oliver, Tony Ken-  
nedy, back row: Robert Ott, Jeff  
Brown, David Wilson, Sonny Nash,  
Jon Green, coach Dan Guzzi



Above: With split-second precision, Orlando  
Madrid hits a line drive to center field  
Upper Right: First baseman Sonny Nash stands  
ready for any ball that comes his way  
Right: winding up for a curve ball, pitcher  
Robert Ott gives it his all  
Second Right: Catcher Walter Sutton waits for  
the next pitch to strike out an opponent



# *Soph sluggers slog through rainy opening to make most of season*

by Connie Dias

**D**ue to an especially rainy season in March, the sophomore slug

their games were cancelled because of the bad weather. If the team was lucky enough to start a game, they were not lucky enough to finish because of the rain. Yet the team

ment they faced.

"The team was very competitive and could hold its own against any other sophomore team," stated Sophomore

Coach Dan C...  
badly, even when...

The Kitzes have been married for 15 years and have two children, a son, Nathan, and a daughter, Leah. The Kitzes are active in the community and are members of the Jewish Community Center of New York City. The Kitzes are also active in the fight against AIDS and are members of the AIDS Memorial Quilt. The Kitzes are also active in the fight against anti-Semitism and are members of the Anti-Defamation League.

Butch Counce, Jeff Brown, Leslie Kilcrease and Bobby Ott.

Offensively the team had excellent hitters in David Wilson and Sonny

Not only were both not only great hitters, but also showed a strong ability to play defense. Other team members, Les. Nelson, Mike. [unclear] and [unclear] were also great players, but [unclear] enough when needed. David Wilson proved to be an exceptionally outstanding player who was a great addition to the sophomore team.

because we had some great players on our team. Coaches Paul Abby and Dan Guzzi were really good; with their help we made the most of our season'



Left: Pitcher Robert Ott fires a fast ball to strike out an opponent  
Second Left: Lincoln O'Keefe successfully beats the throw to steal second base  
Upper Left: Eyeing the batter, second baseman Mark Oliver is prepared for a ground ball  
Above: Robert Ott keeps a watchful eye on the upcoming pitch



**I am proud to be a Panther because being a Panther means being someone special. —Michelle Thorne**



# Frosh fight to early win while learning techniques for future

by Connie Dias

**"T**he main thing we try to do with the freshmen is get them to the position where they are best suited. This way, by the time they get up to the varsity level the players and coaches know what particular position they can best play," stated freshman coach Wayne McGhee.

The team itself was composed of some very talented ball players. There were

quite a few infielders this season and a number of the players showed an interest in pitching. Mike Rosa, Randy Romey, Brian Nelson, Tom Ortiz and Jim Dunn were some of the better hitters who should see plenty of action in 1983 as they move up to the sophomore level, along with Robert Page, who was impressive as catcher.

Shortstop and pitcher Mike Rosa stated, "I think the freshmen are going to do well in the league. We have a lot

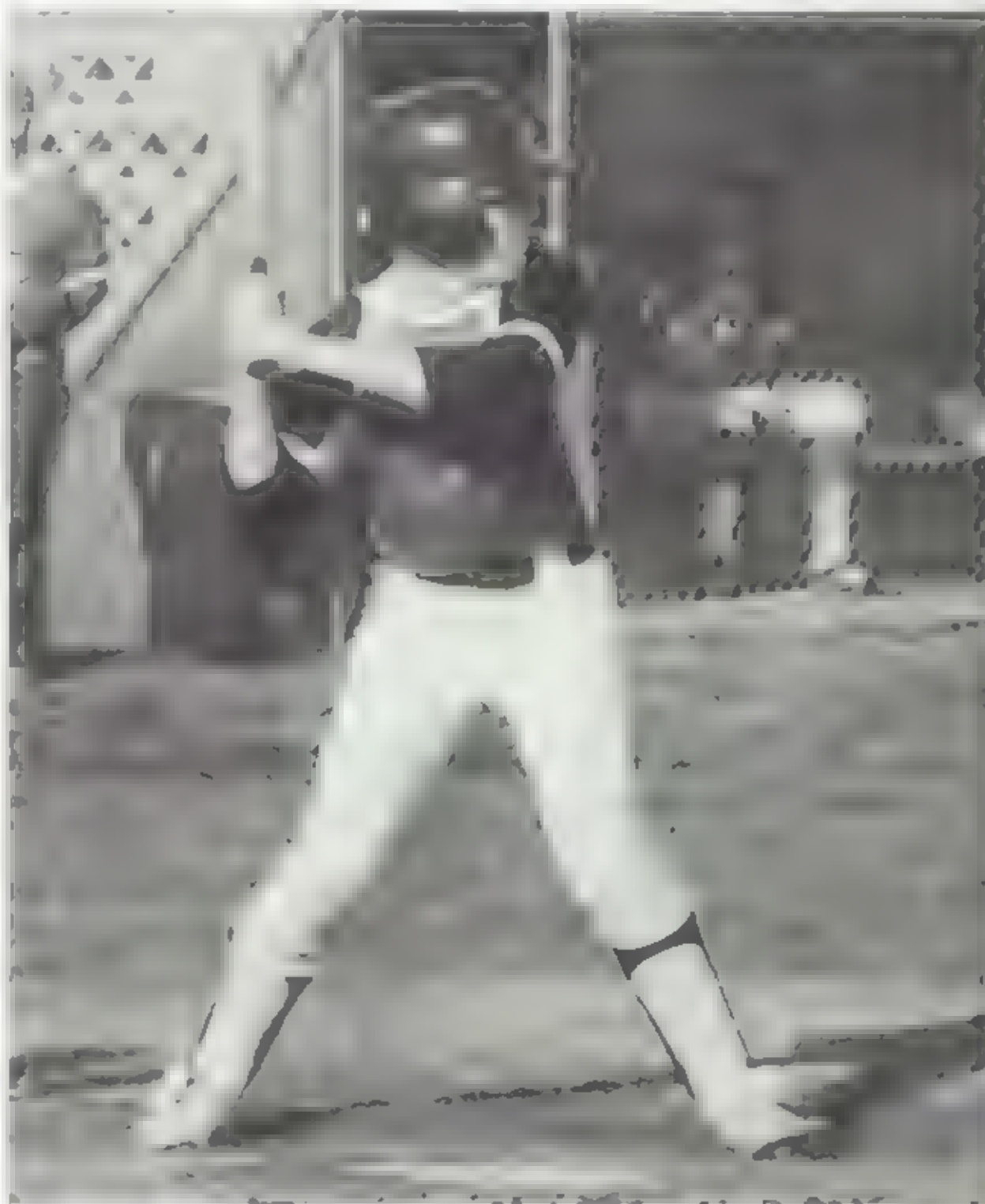
of good players who are good hitters and pitchers."

Although, because of the rain in the first half of the season, the team did not practice as much as the would have liked to, the problems of nature did not prevent them from beating the Ceres Bulldogs 13-6 early in the season.

"I feel we have a good team this year and in the upcoming seasons it should be of championship quality," stated pitcher and first baseman Brian Nelson.



Above: Third baseman Dan Sabala waits for the throw to tag a sliding opponent out  
Upper Left: Rick Arias swings with all his might at an oncoming pitch.  
Right: Slugger Randy Romey concentrates on getting a base hit



I am proud and honored to be a part of this wonderful educational and activity center

—John McCaffery





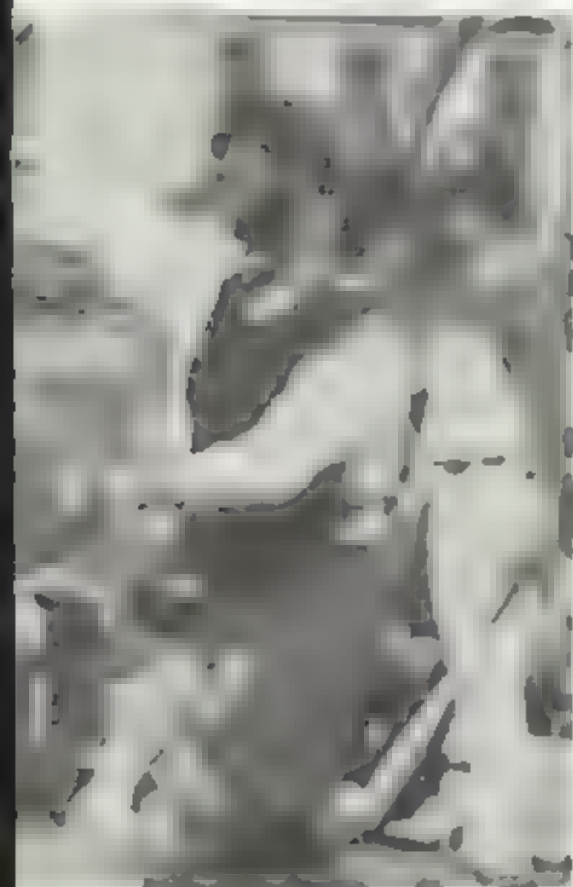
**'With some real good-looking hitters and a couple of potential pitchers it was a good season.'** —Wayne McGhee

Left, Freshman Baseball Coach Wayne McGhee  
Second Left: Mike Rosa delivers another fast ball to his opponent



Above, Freshman Baseball Team, front row: Cruz Diaz, Lee Jarvis, Robert Page, David Ramirez, Tom Ortiz, Dan Sabala, Dale Redding, se-

cond row: Jim Dunn, Randy Roney, Mike Rosa, Myron Warren, David Baker, Brian Nelson, Rick Arias



Left With his eye on the pitcher, Mike Rosa starts off for second base

Second Left: Catcher Robert Page fires the ball to second to tag out an opponent

Upper Left: Rick Arias, Cruz Diaz, and David Ramirez all position themselves for an expected grounder

Upper Right: While Brian Nelson fires the pitch Tom Ortiz positions himself for the expected line drive

Above: Jim Dunn knocks the ball into left field to bring home a fellow Panther

Below: On the beam, junior Pam Ketchum concentrates on displaying a graceful pose  
 Right: Varsity team leader Doreen Jenkins

holds a difficult pose during her beam routine  
 Lower Right: Senior Melinda Simpson performs her own beam routine at the Sonora meet



## '82 CCC champs gain new coach, prove equally tough in new VOL

by Dianne McHale

**A**fter two straight years as CCC Champions, the Varsity Gymnastics Team entered the VOL as prime contenders for the championship crown. Succeeding in outperforming Tracy High School, competing in the VOL only for gymnastics, and tying with Sonora, the 1982 champions, and besting Manteca, the squad garnered a top spot as one of the best teams in the area.

Aside from being in a new league with different competitors, the team also had to learn new judging procedures and a different system of deciding the overall winner of a meet.

Unlike the CCC, in which a team

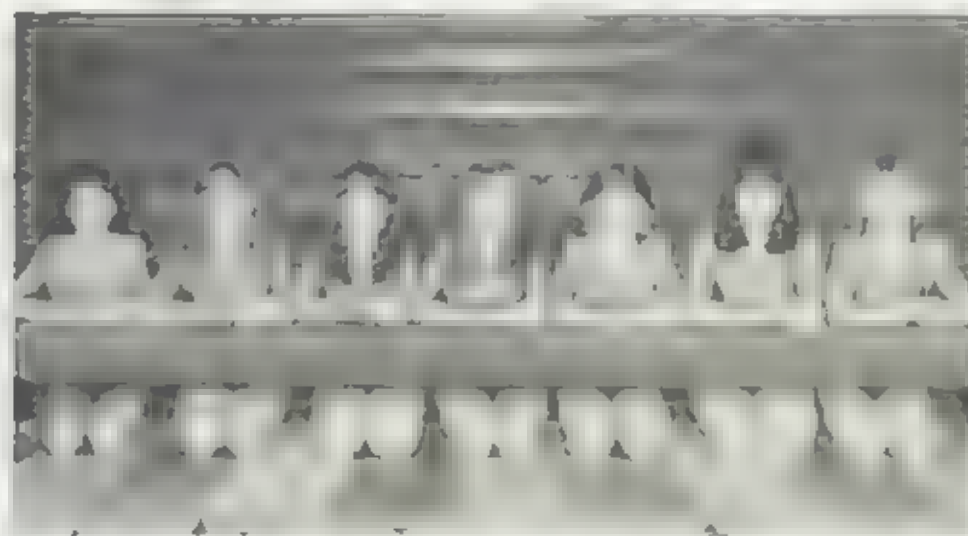
wins by the accumulation of individual scores, the VOL standards give preference to the number of people who actually place in each individual event in determining the winners. Thus, the team which dominated the most events became the winner of the meet. This procedure was used in all three divisions: Varsity, JV, and Novice. The school winning two out of three divisions was declared the victor of the meet.

The varsity team varied in skill and age, with three seniors, Doreen Jenkins, Melinda Simpson and Penny Grace; two juniors, Kris Lee and Pam Ketchum; one sophomore, Kristin Wing,

who led the team as an all-around gymnast; and one freshman, Sherrie Brownlee. The whole team had the experience of winning and competitive drive which helped them throughout the season.

The team was coached by newcomer Sandy Hart and assisted by Buddy Brewer. Sandy recognized a repeat of two championship seasons would be a hard task but she had high hopes for a victorious season from the very start. When asked to summarize the season, junior Kris Lee concluded, "We had it all! Even against Sonora, we scored more firsts, and the Varsity Team actually won."



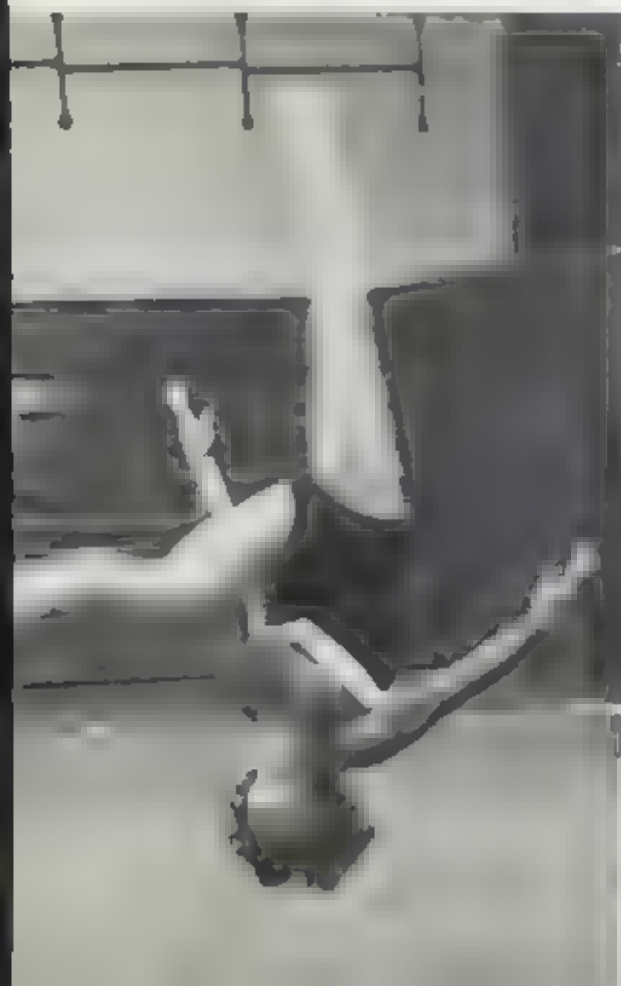


Left: Penny Grace prepares to make her dismount from the beam.  
Above, Varsity Gymnastics

*'My first year as a coach was a successful and fulfilling experience. The girls I worked with made it a great year.'*  
—Sandy Hart

Left, Varsity Gymnastics Coach Sandy Hart

Team: Melinda Simpson, Doreen Jenkins, Kris Lee, Penny Grace, Sherrie Brownlee, Pam Ketchum, Kris Wing



Above: As Sonora gymnasts watch, Kris Lee shows flexibility and poise during her floor routine.  
Left: On the uneven parallel bars, Doreen Jenkins comes around for her dismount.  
Second Left: During her floor routine, Kris Wing performs a number of back flips to impress the judges.  
Upper Left: In one of her stronger events, Kris Wing works at obtaining a top score from the judges.

**"The JV and Novice squads were a great bunch of girls. I expect to see a lot more out of them in coming years."**

**—Melanie Morrow**

Right, JV and Novice Assistant Gymnastics Coaches Maureen Simpson and Melanie Morrow



Above, front row, Novice Gymnastics Team: Lisa Miles, Marnie Bradford, Robin Grimes, Carla Hill,

Valerie Ray. back row, JV Gymnastics Team: Tina Deatherage, Sandra Contreras, Nannette Horney, Gina May, Jana Rhine, Nancy Ragar



Above: Concentrating on her follow through, Robin Grimes does a successful vault

Upper Left: Novice gymnast Marnie Bradford concentrates on her balance during her beam routine

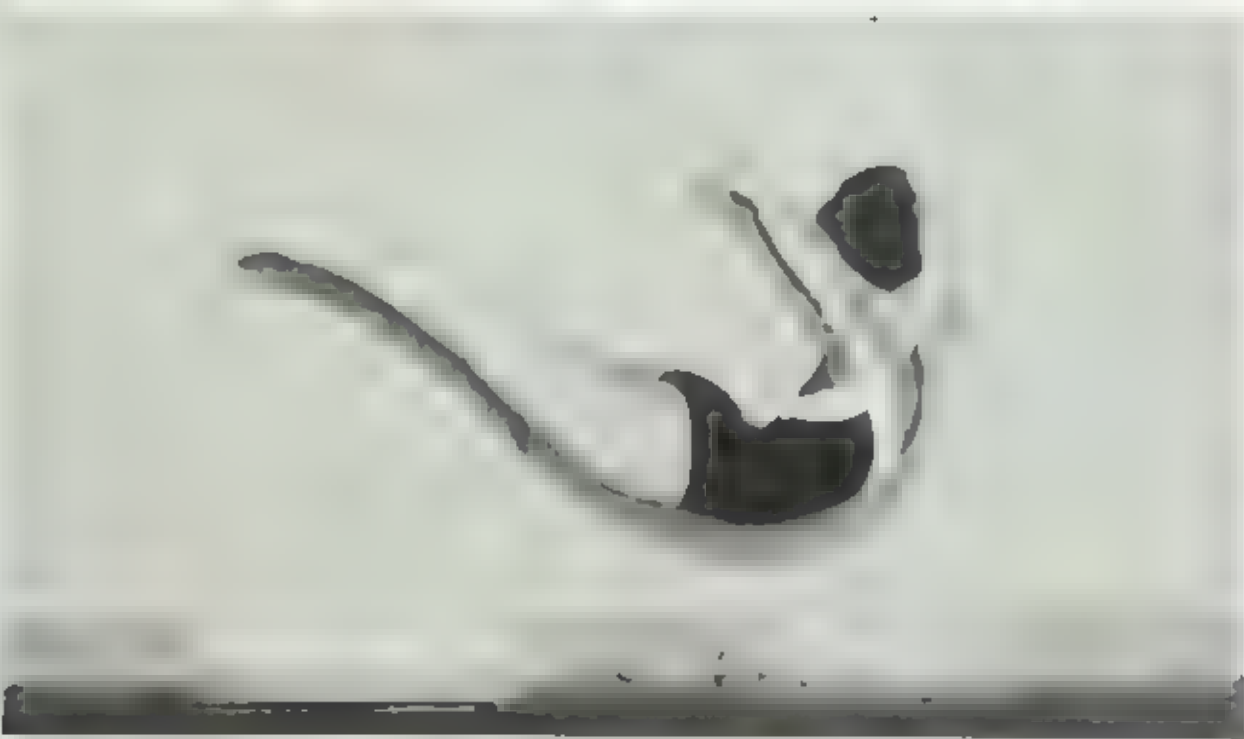
Upper Right: Sophomore Nancy Ragar glides through her compulsory bar routine

Right: During her floor exercise, Tina Deatherage displays good balance and flexibility





Second Left: Gina May goes into the steps for a roundabout dismount  
Left: Carefully maintaining her balance, Robin Grimes prepares to do a back roll  
Below: Showing good poise Nannette Horney begins her beam routine  
Lower Right: On the parallel bars, Valerie Ray keeps strict thoughts on every move  
Lower Left: Showing a "swan dive" leap, Sandra Contreras performs her floor routine with excellent form



## JV's split into two squads as a new approach to competition

by Sabrina Farris

Coming into high school's first and second year gymnasts, the JV and Novice squads strove to get experience in competing and winning. As a new approach, the JV and Novice members were split, and a novice team was formed. This change enabled freshman with less experience to perform routines of minimum difficulty, helping them to obtain better scores and gain more confidence.

Standouts on the JV level were sophomores Sandra Contreras, Tina Deathridge and Nancy Ragar. Sandra excelled on bars while Tina and Nancy were strong on the beam. All three appear headed for key positions as Varsity

participants.

Looking over the C.C.C. JV Champions was new coach Sandy Hart. Improving on championship can be difficult, but Sandy hoped for a victory as repeat of the '82 season.

Helping Sandy with leading the JV and Novice squads were ex-MHS gymnasts Maureen Simpson and Melanie Morrow. Both girls were prominent factors in '82's winning season. Maureen worked with novice members, improving their ability and competitiveness while Melanie assisted the JV squad. When the varsity members set a positive example, the result was a harder working JV team, stated Melanie.

The majority of the season followed this theory, which was marked by the determination shown in overcoming difficult injuries. Facing new competitors brought worries of obtaining a better edge over the competition coming in August at the Sierra meet. As with the conference championships, the Wadsworths were very tense. The JV team ended the month in a tie, while the Novice squad lost to their more experienced opponent.

Sandy hopes to see the JV and Novice teams continue to move in ability and confidence, making them strong varsity and JV teams in 1983. She concluded, "My teams were vital, and that's all I have to say."

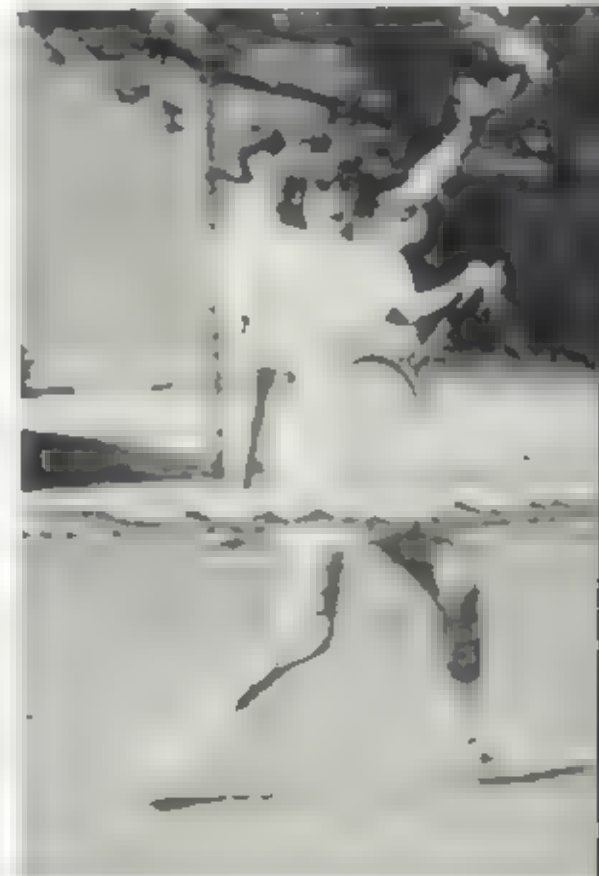


**'We had a strong team and worked together well. We had the best coach in the league.'**  
**—John Hallford**

Right, Boys Tennis Coach Dee Killam  
 Second Right: Showing excellent form and precision, John Hallford slams a serve to an opponent



Above, Boys Tennis Team, front row: John Bringas, Phil Cearly, Gabriel Pacheco, Jerry Miller, Justin Smith, back row: Scott Wright, Ryan Duncomb, Chris Dallenbach, Bill Hartzel, Roger Wright, John Hallford



Above: While John Hallford slams a serve, his partner Phil Cearley guards the net  
 Upper Left: With a look of triumph on his face, Jerry Miller successfully volleys while his partner Justin Smith looks on  
 Upper Center: In a pre-game warm-up, freshman Scott Wright polishes up his forehand  
 Right: With grim determination showing on his face, Phil Cearley starts the match with a serve



# New league competition brings successful season to Boys Tennis

by Sandra Grover

**D**espite rain canceled matches and wet courts, the Boys Tennis Team's spirits were not dampened. They began practicing for the season in January, with their first match in early March.

Having the attainable goal of winning impressed on their minds, team members practiced diligently during seventh period and after school, five

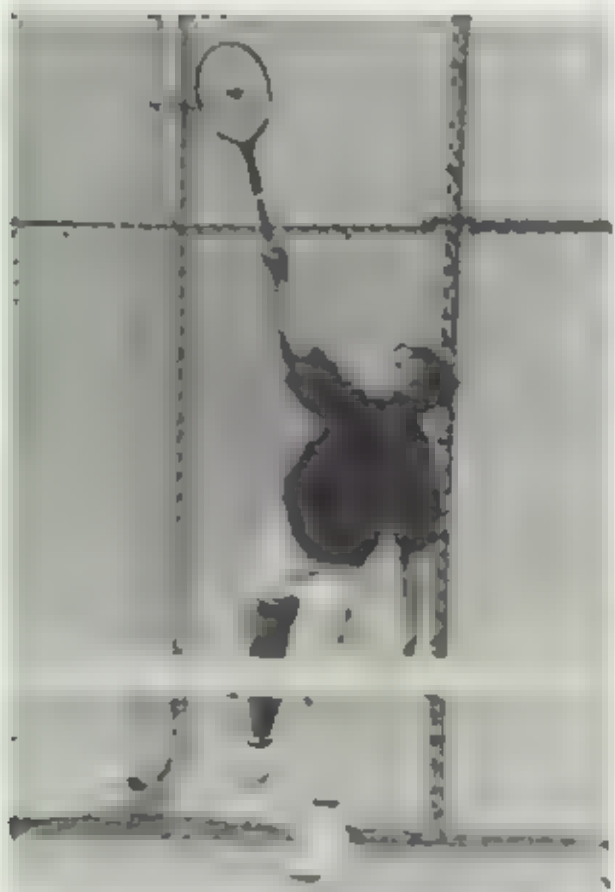
days a week. This valuable time was used to perfect style and strengthen shots and serves.

Comprised mostly of juniors, the majority of the team had played at least one year of tennis on an organized team. Only one senior, John Hallford, was on the team made up of six juniors, one sophomore and two freshmen.

Because of the rainy season opening, the practice games scheduled at the

beginning of the year were canceled, depriving the players of very much needed experience that comes with consistent practice. Their only consolation was that other teams were suffering through dismal weather also, and therefore undergoing the same lack of daily workouts. Despite this disadvantage, the team members played well and won two of their first three matches. Their match with Oakdale was rained out, but the Panthers weren't discouraged, coming back to beat Manteca 9 to 6. They overwhelmed East Union, 13½ to 1.

With these wins behind them, the Boys Tennis Team went on to have a successful season, showing their superior skill to their competitors in the newly joined Valley Oak League, and setting the pace for the future.



Left: With a backhand hit, Ryan Dunscomb successfully returns a serve

Second Left: His face revealing his concentration, Jim Boer goes into a serve

Opposite Page, Near Right: Freshman Justin Smith skillfully returns the ball with a volley, while his doubles partner Ryan Dunscomb awaits the return backcourt

This Page, Upper Left: Senior Bill Hartzel readies himself for the backhand volley

Upper Center: In a competitive match, junior Chris Dallenbach follows through on returning a serve

Above: John Bringas gracefully returns a lob-ball to the opponents' court



I am proud to be a part of Modesto High School because of the people and the traditions they share and perpetuate. Both as a student and now as a teacher, I feel privileged to be a part of this venerable and vital school  
—Ken Williams



# Golfers adjust to new courses; battle with Manteca for top spot

by Chris Aldana

**C**ompeting in a new league brought a number of challenges for the MHS Golf Team. Although Sonora didn't field a team, the Panthers had to get used to new courses at Manteca and Oakdale. They played each of their other league rivals four times, making it a good competitive season.

Leading the eight-member team were seniors Chris Aldana, Bo Annvik (exchange student from Sweden), Tom Miller and Brian Nevitt. Junior golfers were Richard Brunetti, Jeff Charron and David Lopez. Sophomore James Aldana was the only underclassman. James also led the six starting players, along with Richard, Chris, Tom, David and Jeff.

Each of the starters made a commitment at the beginning of the season to practice and play faithfully. The result was usually a victorious match for the Panthers. Coach Herb Poddig stated, "Playing golf is an individual sport, and not quite the same as playing a team sport like basketball, baseball or football. When the individual efforts are good, the team has a better chance at

winning a match."

For those golfers who are skillful enough to win most, if not all, their matches, individual honors are accorded, of which the most honored are chosen to the all-league team.

Although MHS had to adapt to new and sometimes tougher courses, only Manteca gave the Panthers the competition for which they really had to concentrate to overcome. Halfway through the season, the MHS golfers were 4-2, losing to Manteca twice. The third time the Panthers came up against

the Buffalos, Modesto came out the victor by a close one-stroke margin. At the halfway point, the Panthers were second in the league.

All through the rest of the season, the Panthers strove to their best ability. At the end of the season, the overall team average had improved about fifteen strokes. Leading starter James Aldana concluded, "We might not have a very large team next year, but we still should do pretty well because with the experience we've had this year we'll be a lot more familiar with our opponents."



Above: Chris Aldana and Jeff Charron watch as Bo Annvik tees off on the first hole  
Right: Jeff Charron follows through his tee shot at the first hole



A Panther is a person with a lot of energy and enough pride to last a million years

—Melissa Jones







**'I was not surprised to see how they had improved.'**  
—Herb Poddig

Left, Golf Coach  
Herb Poddig



Above, Golf Team, front row: Richard Brunetti, Tom Miller, James Aldana, Jeff Charon, back row: Bo Annvik, Brian Nevitt, David Lopez, Chris Aldana

Above: Brian Nevitt hits his approach shot to the green as Richard Brunetti and David Lopez stand by

Left: James Aldana follows through as brother Chris watches

Second Left: David Lopez putts for par on the ninth hole

Left Center: After hitting his fairway shot Chris Aldana follows through

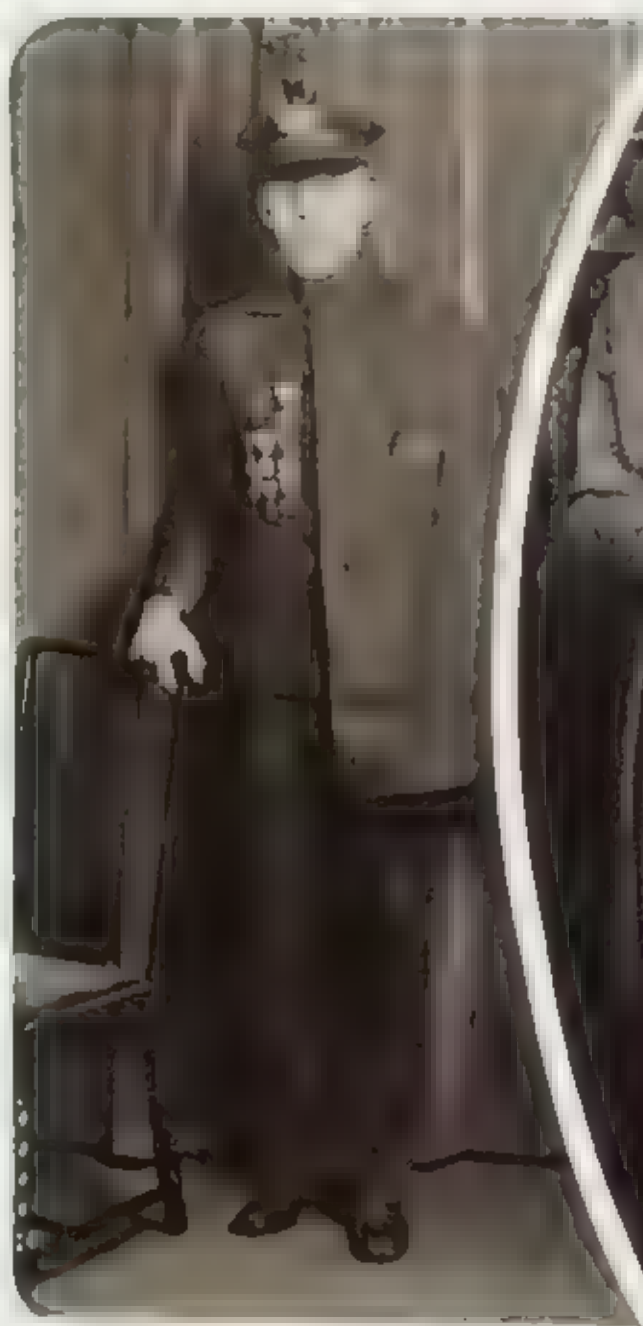
Upper Left: Tom Miller chips to save par

Upper Center: On the green, Richard Brunetti putts for par



# A Century

by Dalinda Angelo



Above: Edwin E. Taylor, who won state and national championships in Band in 1929, poses in his uniform wearing some of his medals

Right: "Student" Dawn Hudson confers with "teacher" Sean Wani as "parent" Dalinda Angelo asks a question at the turn-of-the-century schoolroom at the McHenry Museum



# of Involvement

Over the past one hundred years thousands of students have discovered that becoming involved with the school activities program proved to be very rewarding.

In the early years, elective classes were few and the number of clubs limited. As MHS grew in size, extracurricular activities grew as well. By the 1920's, Modesto High held the reputation of being a truly comprehensive educational institution. Participating in clubs and academics were the high points of many students' lives. To them, getting involved meant much more than just having fun; it was a way of making their years at MHS exciting, worthwhile and memorable.

Clubs reached a peak in the 1930's. There were over 25 organizations to choose from, such as the radio club, aeronautics, archery, rifle, tumbling, model airplane, and stamp collecting. Gradually, students found other interests or opportunities for self-expression, and hobby-oriented clubs such as these died out. In their stead came social and service-oriented clubs such as Tri-Y and Key Club, followed later by clubs more closely aligned with academic pursuits, such as VICA, French, German and Science clubs. Interest in clubs declined during the 70's and 80's, with many of them barely maintaining enrollment.

Academic pursuits have always been taken seriously at MHS. Throughout the years hundreds of dedicated teachers have encouraged students to do their best; the trophy cases overflow with honors and awards from the 1920's onward. Good teacher-student relations have always been a major factor; the feeling of being one big happy family is remembered by many alumni from all decades.

Students who became involved and participated in activities ranging from student government to various clubs to their own academic pursuits found their days full of meetings, work sessions, fundraisers, and practices. Even when everything seemed to be due at the same time, they still felt few regrets. For them, being active meant making a commitment of both time and energy to do well in academics and promote school pride.

Left: President David Snyder and advisor Tony Pruitt outline the Disneyland Trip at a Senior Class meeting

Below: Daria Angelo, Darrin Gharrett and Joanne Potts study their Advanced Biology



Above: Four-year math student Doreen Jenkins works carefully to get as high a score as possible on an Analysis test

Above: Ray Abdshah, an ROTC cadet in 1923, poses with a rifle



# A Century of Involvement



by Sean Wani

From the past to the present, involvement has played a major role in the lives of many students. Today's lifestyles and attitudes differ immensely from the past, and though times have changed, some basics from yesteryear's clubs still hold true today.

Perhaps the key lies in the attitude towards involvement which is prevalent today. There was more club participation in the 20's, 30's and 40's, for more students realized the importance of school achievements and academics. Yet we see in times of major budget cuts and program changes that academic and club involvement will always prove essential for Modesto High students.

Getting involved early in the fall was difficult for many. The laziness of summer still lingered in the minds of many students, per-



Upper Left: Emro Bruch displays the medals won by the 1925 championship rifle team, of which he was a member.

Center Left: The championship Dairy Judging Team of 1933 is composed of Paul Couture, Earl Fisher and Rex Freeman

Left: 1944 MHS students work on a

chemistry experiment

Above: At a Student Curriculum Committee meeting, Sean Wani, Shelly Stamm, Jeremy Shuman and Vicky Johnson discuss proposed changes in the graduation requirements

Right: To begin a Rally, Rolando Aguirre and Mr. Gary Runsten lead the Pep Band in a few numbers

suading them to postpone participation until later in the year. There were, however, a nucleus of students who looked upon the beginning of the school year with excitement, and eagerly set forth to reach their goals. For such students, achievement and success were the objectives they strove to accomplish.

Some of the more active clubs on campus at the present time were rally, band, FFA, MASA, student government, and speech. Even though these clubs were successful, apathy or lack of commitment hindered the growth of many others, which generated few events or activities, despite the good intentions and desires of their officers and advisors.

A recent major setback for student involvement is the imposition of the activity fee on all "performance" extracurricular activities. This

includes not only all competitive sports programs, but also such traditional academic-related activities as speech, ensembles, and band. Although the legality of the \$30 fee, imposed by School Board action in August, 1981, has been challenged in court, its final outcome remains in doubt, and the District continues to charge the fee. This has angered many students, for they now must decide whether they are willing to pay in order to play. It seems ironic that those who are already giving the most of themselves in order to promote and maintain Panther Pride are now being asked to pay for that privilege.

Though participation in extracurricular activities has declined in recent years, academic and club involvement continues to play a major role in the lives of many MHS students.



Upper Left: Near the end of the third annual Write-A-Thon, Jeremy Shuman, Stephanie Wood, John Hallford, David Snyder and Tammy Noftsinger ignore their growing writer's cramp while Kevin McKenna and Connie Dias counts words  
Upper Right: At a meeting of the student council, Dalinda Angelo and

Joanne Potts listen to another member explain the proposal under discussion  
Above Left: Ricky Trevino watches as Neil Jackson enters a program into the computer in the Data Processing class  
Above Right: Pete Ybarra listens to Game Warden Mike Macias at a Career Club meeting



# Centennial brings busy year for Broadcast; Q & S honors writers

by John Hallford

**T**he past year has been an excellent one for the Broadcast, our school newspaper. Staff members have been able to share in the festivities of the Centennial Celebration and at the same time reap some of its harvest.

Although it is sometimes taken for granted, the Broadcast has become an important part of many students' lives in that it informs people of activities and happenings on and off campus which, for one reason or another, they may not have known about. Edited by Tammy Noffsinger, it has consistently provided information on athletic events, clubs and curriculum.

Fund-raising events included a car wash and a 24-hour Write-A-Thon, promoted in cooperation with the yearbook staff. In all, staff members netted approximately \$150. Other funds included \$600 from Proctor and Gamble, in a special program whereby the newspaper highlighted students who have

done an outstanding job in a specific area, such as in academics or vocational field.

The Broadcast is a unique paper in many ways. It is the only paper in the area in which most of the production work is performed by students, from writing the articles and taking the pictures through typesetting, pasting up, and graphic arts camera work, to running the presses. All of this work is done on the MHS campus. This is because of the feeling of the editor, advisor, and staff that the purpose of the class should be primarily learning how to make a newspaper. Advisor Tony Pruitt says, "It is more important to me for students to learn to work on the newspaper, than to try to make it better than the rest."

Quill & Scroll is an honorary society for students who are thought by their teachers to be outstanding writers. All who are nominated to membership in the organization are chosen by journalism teachers Tony Pruitt and Jim Shuman, or advisor Ken

Williams. The candidates are chosen primarily from the journalism department and differs from a club in that students cannot choose to join, they must be nominated by a faculty member. One advantage of the organization is that membership is for life. Activities of the group included a reception for a group of MHS Alumni who are writers, following the Centennial "Literary Tea" in April, and a joint meeting with the Davis High chapter in May.

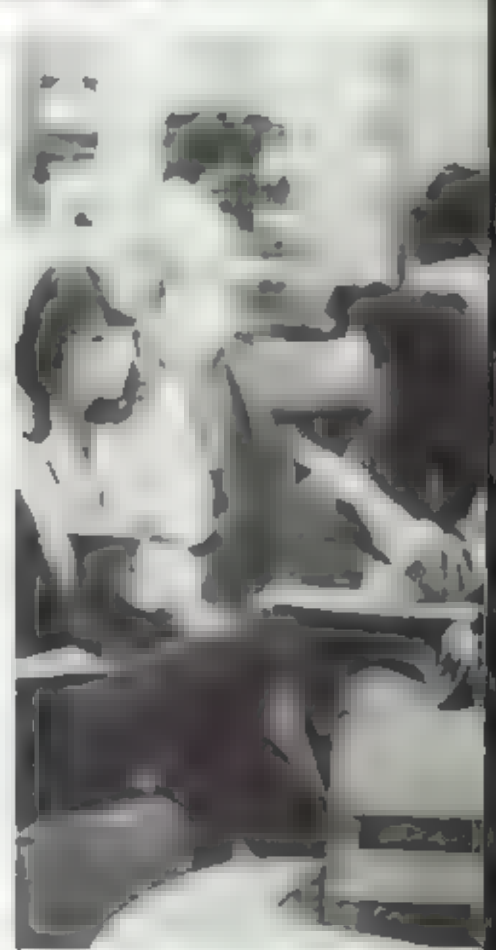
Below: As she receives her story back from a reader, Cindy Harrison smiles at the compliment paid her. Lower Center: Forgetting a planning session, David Hodges shares an amusing story with fellow newspaper staff members Beth Moore, Cindy Harrison and Jennifer Wells.



Above: While preparing a story for a future issue, Mary Yandell skims her notes.

Right: Preparing the Broadcast for typesetting, Tammy Noffsinger makes finishing touches on an article.

Second Right: While writing a newspaper article, Dianne Watts receives a picturesque answer to a question from Janet Strickland and Cindy Harrison.



This school is so deeply steeped in tradition that it is truly an exciting experience to be a graduate in our Centennial Year.  
—Jeremy Shuman







Left: At the end of a long day, Beth Moore tries to stay awake long enough to proofread her story. Below, Quill and Scroll Society, front row: Lisa Dickson, Janet Strickland, Cindy Harrison, Sandi Grover, Denise Presley, Sean Wani, Dixie Weststeyn, Doreen Jenkins, second row: Lucy Tru

jillo, Tammy Noffsinger, Wendy Beauvais, Stephanie Frazier, Dianne Watts, Paula Peeper, Wayne Elam, Dianne McHale, back row: Danita Swinburg, Carla Jarvis, Mary Yandell, Connie Dias, Sabrina Farris, Jeremy Shuman, Ron Lopes, Jason Kanar, Jerry Taylor, advisor Ken Williams



Jane Corrales employs the Multilith offset press in the job of printing the newspaper



The Broadcast's graphic arts staff, Troy McCutcheon, Shannon Nicholson and Brian Nevitt



Left: On one of her typical busy Thursday afternoons, Tammy Noffsinger prepares the Broadcast for printing. Above, Broadcast Staff, front row: Lisa Dickson, Sandra Contreras, Jennifer Wells, second

row: Tammy Noffsinger, Mary Yandell, Dianne Watts, Cindy Harrison, Janet Strickland, back row: Danita Swinburg, advisor Tony Pruitt, Phillip Henry, Juanita Green, Stephanie Wood, Phillip Cearley

Opposite Page, Sycamore Staff, front row: Lisa Dickson, Mario Alcala; second row: Paula Peeper, advisor James Shuman, Gary Coonce; third row: Jeremy Shuman, Sandi Grover, Joe Gallardo, Rhonda Albright, David Snyder; fourth row: Dawn Hudson, Sean Wani, Dalinda Angelo, Connie Dias, Debbie Bowling, Stephanie

Frazier, Jake Weston; fifth row: Janica Emig, Dianne Watts, Jason Kanar, Mike Toso, Denise Presley, Tommy Warren, Phil Shuman; sixth row: Jeff Bradley, Chris Aldana, Phillip Henry, Bobby Norton, Sheryl Hardenbrook, Mike Dixon; in tree: Sabrina Farris, Jose Garcia, Lori Howell, Cant McCullough, Gregg Reim, Dianne McHale

# Panther Heritage preserved by dedicated few

by Jason Kanar

**T**hroughout the years, the Modesto High School Sycamore staff has produced many outstanding yearbooks. This current Yearbook was no different. Although larger than any previous book, the 1983 Sycamore was completed by a staff that overcame many obstacles to achieve a quality product.

Under the supervision of a veteran advisor, James Shuman, 24 seniors, 11 juniors and a number of sophomores produced an impressive volume of outstanding pages. Also giving a big boost to the staff was president and manager Joe Sullivan, a 1982 graduate,

who returned to Modesto to assist in the completion of the yearbook.

The staff, only a few with previous experience, found that yearbook production brings about the same problems every year: incomplete forms, missing pictures, hard to write captions, and time pressure. The staff met at irregular intervals during the year, was marked by poorly-attended production meetings, and still over 100 pages due to the lack of success in the seniors. Yet by final deadline time at the end of March, staffers had begun to realize the tremendous

amount of time needed to produce a successful yearbook.

Breakfasting sessions held in summer, along with trips to the annual yearbook conference in Santa Barbara, began the production of the 1983 Sycamore. During these meetings the theme "Panther Heritage: A Century of Sycamore" was chosen and developed in order to make the yearbook an important part of the school's centennial year.

After looking through other yearbooks, including previous books, the initial plans were agreed upon, and actual yearbook production began.

Although a few staff members decided not to continue after the first semester, they were quickly replaced by others willing to take on extra spreads and copy, enabling production to continue.

Following in the tradition of a successful year after year, the 1983 Sycamore was the largest in MHS history. The efforts and struggles involved in completing this book were a great learning experience for everybody involved. Through all of the "hassles" the 1983 staff managed to have fun and earned the honor of being one another.



Above: Writing furiously, John Hallford joins others to break the previous Write-A-Thon record. Upper Center: Graphic arts cameraman Troy McCutcheon sets the percentage dials on the GA camera.

Upper Right: Connie Dias and Dianne Watts look through the proof book in search of the right pictures for their pages.

Right: Sandi Grover consults editor Jeremy Shuman for help in completing her page assignment.

Second Right: Copy editor Sabrina Farris looks through the World Book Yearbook for summary information as Sheryl Hardenbrook thinks up another caption.







# NFL gains new coach; English Department adds second year to GATE program

by Sean Wani

At 7:15 every Saturday morning, speech students found themselves traveling to tournaments from Stockton to Chico. The team got off to a slow start, but with hard work and endurance, they improved with competition. In class, students learned the basics from how to master the Lincoln-Douglas Debates to how to prepare an oral report. At competitions, students who placed in their events found themselves winning points and even money. Upon earning twenty-five points, a membership certificate in the National Forensics League was awarded. A few students realized that speech was very worth their time. Winning cash prizes in service club speech contests was a delight to them.

With only one senior member, NFL officers were president Jason Kanar, vice president Sean Wani, and

secretary Kristin. The team traveled to several tournaments, including the National Forensics League in Chico, California. The team did well, winning several trophies and cash prizes. The team's success was a testament to their hard work and dedication.

The English Department has good news and bad news. The good news was that with the beginning of this year, a second new gifted class has started. The first is the freshman class taught by Mr. Kenyon, and the second is a sophomore class, taught by Ms. Gowans. These classes are much the same as the regular classes, except they go one more step. Ms. Gowans explained that "we just take the regular English classes one step further, with the students reading harder novels and doing creative projects."

The bad news is that a low budget, aging equipment, and overcrowded classrooms are still hurting the English

Department. Although the school has received a grant from the Washington County Office of Education, the grant was delayed several times, and the department postponed the purchase of new equipment. Since English was one of the subject areas involved in the relocation, department members could only hope that "next year will be different."



Top: Before putting a conclusion to his English essay, Sam Gonzales thinks about what he wants to write.

Center Right: Freshman English students John Bringas, Shawn Hunstable, Suzette Piscitello, Debbie Nand, Lisa Riggs, Florence Lugo, and Diana Wyeth await their next assignment from Mr. James Kenyon.

Right: Journalism student Crystal Crowley asks for help from department chairman Ken Williams while Joey Henriques joins other class members in working on their own projects.

Second Right: Debbie Bowling concentrates on taking notes during her Masterpieces class.





Left: AHS student Christine Dhanis tries hard to comprehend as much English as possible.  
Below, NFL front row: Pam Ketchum, Chris Beatty, Hugo Vera, Cheri Cope, Sena Wan, sev-

cond row: Phil Cearly, Laurie Medeiros, Renato Balenovich, Denise Presley, Johnny Klink. back row: Jason Kanar, Ron Lopez, Jeremy Shuman, Loree Dietz.



Left: Matt Stiles and Sherry Brownlee attempt to read Merchant of Venice while Tanya Echols, Brian Nelson, Angie Gonzales, Marnie Bradford, Lucy Velthuisen, Janna Rhine and Carl Giesler lose control as the teacher leaves the room.  
Above: Maxi Magana, Kim James and Ron Lopez discuss the outcome of a Lincoln-Douglas debate during speech class.

Center Right: Hugo Vera and Renato Balenovich await the bell while Pam Ketchum, Cheri Cope and Sandra Contreras use the last few minutes for gossiping.  
Above: During a Lincoln-Douglas debate, Jason Kanar presents his arguments on the topic of euthanasia.



Our Centennial Celebration is the culmination of all Modesto High's spirit-raising since 1883  
—Jason Kanar

Below, Student Council, front row: Kashmir Gill, Sabrina Farris, Sean Wani, Dalinda Angelo, Joanne Potts, Doreen Jenkins,

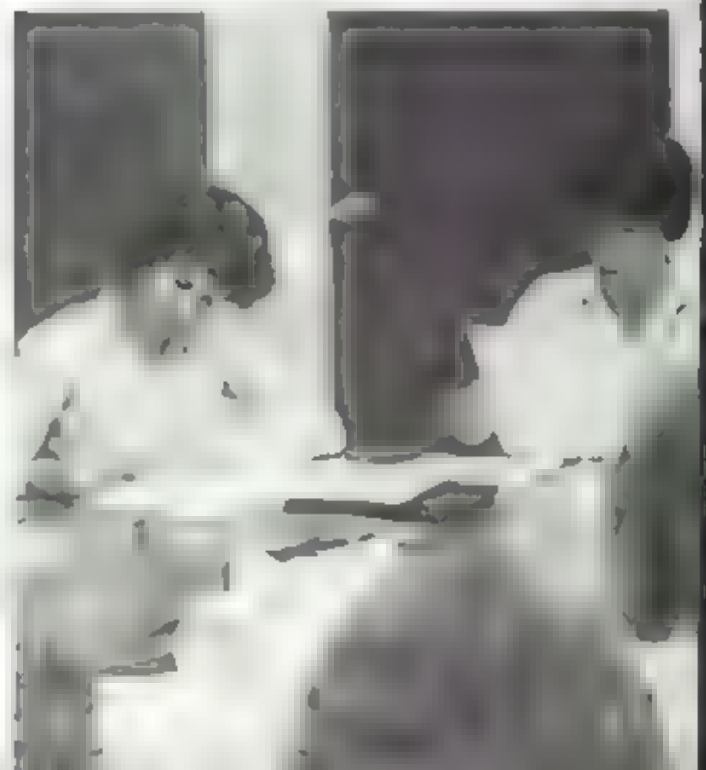
Shawyne Clark back row: Steve Bryant, Denise Presley, Lori Howell, Dianne McHale, John Hallford, Betty Chaves, Monica Contreras, advisor Rodney Owen



Upper Right: While Lori Howell and Sabrina Farris confer in the background Denise Presley, Leslie Ang, Laurie Medeiros, Dianne McHale and Doreen Jenkins listen to the new budget proposal. Right: Kashmir Gill, Denise Presley, Lori Howell, Steve Bryant and Dianne McHale look over copies of the new budget.



Above: Sean Wani, the 1982-83 student representative to the School board, attends a meeting in the Bever High little theater. Right: Treasurer Joanne Potts and senior class rep Doreen Jenkins listen to a junior class report. Second Right: While president John Hallford reads over new business, secretary Debbie Bowling catches every word.





# Busy Student Council gains new advisor; sends first-ever rep to School Board

by Lori Howell

Seventeen students from all areas of the student body combined to make student council one of the busiest organizations on Modesto High's campus.

Under the leadership of student body president John Hallford, members of the council accomplished several tasks. They managed a new budget, revised the constitu-

tion, and raised an extra \$750 through various fundraisers.

Advising the students through the year for the first time was Mr. Rodney Owen. Although there were many problems to face, Mr. Owen always looked ahead with a positive attitude. His experience as a faculty member, NFL advisor and coordinator of football concession sales for many years

gave him insights into the nuances of MHS needs and practices.

The Centennial Year brought about many ideas shared by the members, leading to many activities that would be enjoyed by the entire student body. From promoting a "Dance Through the Ages" in January to planning a float for the Centennial Parade in June,

tasks that took time and dedication were executed by committees formed by several of the members.

One of the main concerns facing student council members was the revision of the constitution. Devising new regulations and updating old ones was a major priority at the weekly Student Council meetings.

A significant participant in student government was Inter-High Council member Sean W. Sean, a top academic student, was the first MHS student ever selected as a representative on the Modesto City Schools Board. Sean attended all Board meetings and participated in discussions with the seven elected Board members. His only restrictions were that he could not vote and could not participate in "closed door" personnel discussions.

"I reviewed student input and discussed student views with the Board," Sean said. "Even though the meetings were long (often more than two hours), it was interesting learning all the new Board procedures."

Being a member of Student Council was not an easy job.

The seventeen student leaders all worked to solve the problems of the school. The problems were difficult but rewarding. They were resolved without major setbacks.



Left: As Sabrina Farris checks for accuracy, Sean Wani adds up the budget figures.

Second Left: Shawyne Clark, Lori Howell and Dianne McHale listen to old business.

Upper Left: Inter-High Council rep Sean Wani, vice president Dalinda Angelo, and treasurer Joanne Potts react with varying degrees of enthusiasm to a new spending proposal.



Panthers are by far the best thing around

—Karla Hill

# Social Science maintains strong program despite cutbacks; AFS hosts three students

by Dianne Watts

Over a period of four years, students who attend MHS must successfully complete courses in world geography, American history, and government. Social science classes are not always enjoyed, but nevertheless a must to graduate.

Under the supervision of Mr. John Sample, Social Science Department chairman, all social science teachers are responsible for instilling a basic understanding of land mass, world culture, American history, and different types of government to students during their freshman, junior and senior years. "Our program is nothing like it was five years ago," commented Mr. Sample. "With funding cutbacks and so forth there just aren't enough staff members to meet the need." The department consists of eleven instructors teaching not only the required courses, but also a few optional classes such as consumer awareness for all students on the general plan, and social science remediation for seniors who need to pass the competency test. For the extra talented students a GATE program is available.

For those students who learn to see the culture and government of a foreign

country, AFS provides either summer or full year programs for student exchange.

Four MHS students were able to spend time abroad the past year. Returning home from Costa Rica in August was '82 graduate Sandra Lubeck, along with Ponci Madrigal, who spent the summer in Germany, and Patricia Vera who returned home from Spain. Another '82 graduate, Maria Contreras, spent a year in

Italy.

MHS played host to three foreign students during the current year. Christine Dhanis from Belgium, Bo Anvick from Sweden, and Bettina Christianson from Denmark. Christine was sponsored by the AFS program, Bettina traveled under YFU, and Bo came under a private program.

In order to help pay costs of students interested in the AFS program, the club put

together a cookbook of cookie recipes from all over the world, which they sold for \$3.00 a copy. Sponsored by Mrs. Maridale Smith, the club was run by a dedicated panel of officers consisting of president Sean Wani, vice president Louis Madrigal, and secretary-treasurer Monica Contreras. The group met periodically to organize fundraisers and activities for the benefit of those who were chosen to spend time abroad.



Upper Right: During a mock trial in Mr. Sample's government class "Judge" Dennis Wend closes the case, as "D.A." David Absher and "court clerk" Sherri McClung breathe a sigh of relief.

Right: Becky Bartoo and her escort discuss the events of the evening as they wait in line at the AFS dinner.

Second Right: While waiting for the film to start, Greg Zuniga prepares to take notes as Darlene Skaggs, Jean Peck and Shellie Wilson amuse themselves with idle gossip.





Left: Belgian exchange student Christine Dhaese sits at AFS club's clubhouse to follow AFSer Sandra Contreras.

Lower Left: In Dr. Raticovich's Social Science class, Sekantawaty Saing and Phien Phan take a test on United States topography.



Above, AFS Club: front row Betty Beatty, Doreen Shaw, Christina Beatty, Sandra Contreras, Sharon Clark; second row Carmen Ramirez, Ruth Vera, Sandra Contreras, Beth Moore; third row Jennifer Green, Kathy Dixon, Tomas Madruga, Joseph Kassar, Phyllis Shuman; Scott Watt; back row Chris Waldo, Bill Arpsick, Arthur Martine, Darin Clark, Evelyn Shuman.



Above: At the December AFS banquet, French teacher Judy Remmers serves guests.

Left: Over Jack Skinsburg's American History class, look for a missing assignment.

Second Left: As District Attorney James Warren and his associates in the case of Dave Arpsick, Sgt. Harrison and Carlos Morales patiently await the outcome of the trial.





# BSU presents excellent assembly, travels to Fresno; MASA holds 'most successful' dance of year

by Dawn Hudson

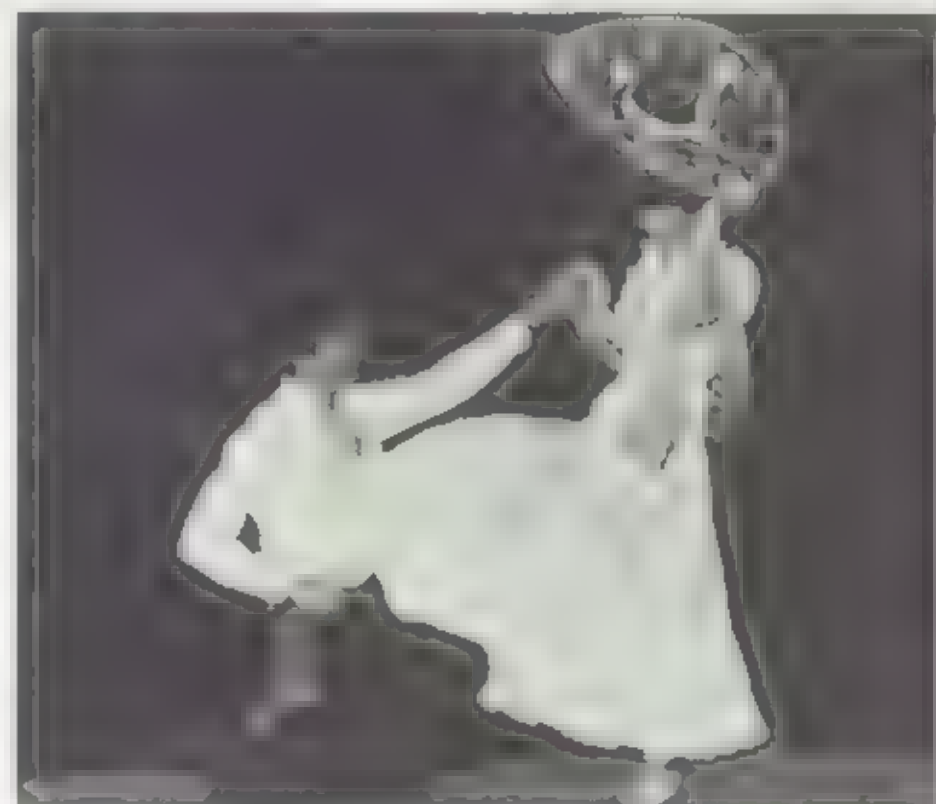
**T**he Black Student Union (BSU) presented an excellent assembly on Tuesday, April 12, at the Fresno State Convention Center. The assembly was held in conjunction with the MASA (Mexican American Student Association) dance, which was held at the same venue. The BSU assembly was a success, with a large turnout of students and faculty members. The assembly featured a variety of activities, including a presentation on the history of the BSU, a discussion on the importance of Black History Week, and a performance by the BSU choir. The assembly was a great success, and it was a pleasure to see so many students and faculty members in attendance.

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Upper Right: MASA president Hector A. de la Parra announces the new officer during the MASA Assembly.  
Upper Center: Dancers Miguel Treviño and Beatrice Perez put a twist in their Mexican Hat Dance.  
Right: During the BSU Assembly, skit "Luther Warren" attempts to convince "scotters" Junior Shaird and Marvin Davis to take pride in their heritage by attending a BSU meeting.  
Second Right: BSU member Lorraine Anderson stresses the importance of Black History Week to the audience.





Left: Miguel Hernandez dances to one of the traditional Mexican dances.

Below, BSU, front row: Pat Cluel, Sandra Love, Chantay Cray, Michelle Joyce, McLean, Shawyne Clark, Abigail Norris, Carla Jarvis, second row: Ron Dixon, Anthony Lee, Gwen Elder, Tommy Warren, Camilla Tillman, Sam Cousins, Melinda Lee, Keith Waters, Sergio Harrison, Harrison Lee, Anthony Matthews, Lonnie Anderson.

Lower Center: BSU members join the Second Baptist Church Choir to sing a number of pieces for the annual assembly.

Lower Right: Concert soloist Mel Williams performs one of four pieces at the BSU Assembly.



Left: At the MASA-sponsored Halloween Dance, Luz Contreras and Jerry Diaz keep to the beat of the music amid the crowd.

Above, MASA, front row: Isaac Brambila, Jose Gomez, Julio Cerna, Prun Vath, Enrique Moreno, Carlos Pineda, Armando Espinoza, Juan Esparta, Luis Ruelas, Hector Vazquez, second row: Yolanda Hernandez, Sylvia Hernandez, Hermelinda Aguayo, Olga

Alberto, Alma Astorga, Yolanda Alberto, Yolanda Vera, Cecilia Peral, Irma Martinez, Yolanda Madrigal, Rosa Quintero, third row: Miriam Alvarez, Victoria Quintana, Maria Alberto, Alma Figueroa, Rosalva Flores, Cynthia Arreola, Luz Contreras, Lydia Alberto, Gloria Esparta, Eva Salazar, Celia Garcia, Beatriz Vazquez, fourth row: Luis Hernandez, Anna Magana, Teresa Ramirez, Alma Gonzalez, Ofelia



Aguilar, Maria Dominguez, Carmen Ramirez, Anna Arizon, Margarita Hurtado, Michael Hernandez, Luis Madrigal, Dennis Brophy, Arnold Hernandez, back row: Pedro Dominguez, Eddie Jimenez, Humberto Lopez, Daniel Vera, Hector Vera, Jaime Magana, Arthur Martinez, Jaime Jimenez, Antonio Quintana, front row: Jose Madrigal, Hector Rubio, advisor: Ed Diaz.

Because of the continued tradition of pride in our school that was started 100 years ago and continues today, it is a great honor to be a part of the Centennial Celebration.  
—Kris Domitrovich



# Science Club travels; Chess Club beats Davis

by Connie Dias

**I** found that this year the quality of students was better," stated Arlan Holen in explaining the apparent upswing in enrollment.

Realizing that they are advancing in technical work, students at Modesto are more active in taking advantage of the opportunities offered in class.

In science, biology, health, advanced science (which is offered only one other year), and physics. Although students were interested in physics, the class was offered as independent study, being the only science course lacking enrollment.

The department's budget for the last three years has been severely reduced, making it hard to buy new equipment when needed. Unfortunately, although new textbooks were needed to replace the old ones, the funding was hard to come by.

The Science Club, headed by Odell Smith, has been active in securing funds. The Exploration Society has also been active in order to help pay for transportation the club used.

The Science Club has been very active in the community. They have been invited to give demonstrations at the Modesto Junior High School, the Modesto Public Library, and the Modesto Public Schools. They have also been invited to give demonstrations at the Modesto Junior High School, the Modesto Public Library, and the Modesto Public Schools.

The Science Club was against the Davis team, which they won 5 1/2 to 1. "We were really surprised when we beat Davis," said Mr. Holen. "We had practiced against them for a long time, but we didn't expect to win."

Students who have been successful in the past are now helping to train new students. Mr. Holen, who has been a coach for many years, is now helping to train new students. He is also helping to train new students in the chess club.



Above: Mr. Arlan Holen goes over a chemistry experiment while students Laura Wheeler, Connie Dias, Martin McCarthy, Gabriel Pacheco, Geri Peek, Mike Toso, Scott McKenzie, Danita Swinburg, Tommy Warren, Orlando Madrid

and Loree Oaks listen closely. Upper Right: Intent on her work Marilyn Wolf prepares a slide for cell investigation. Right: Sophomore Patrick Genio explains the proper use of equipment to senior Chris Aldana.







Left: Training her chick to follow her, Diane Ranuio watches it closely.

Center Left: David Lopez makes a move while Troy Mitchell plans his strategy in the match against Davis.



Above, Science Club, front row: Tammy Rancourt, Christine Beatty, Holly Beatty, Angel Rava, Carolyn West, Patrick Genio, Iovita Madrigal, Silvia Chavez, Sandi Grover, Sean Wani, Dalinda Angelo, second row: Advisor Odell Scott, Vickie Johnston, Kathi Dixon, Diane Ranuio, Debbie Bowling, Rhonda Albright, Susie Beckwith, Lauri Meder, Doreen Jenkins, Marilyn Wolf, Kim Haarberg, third row: Advisor Arlan Holen, Erin Wray, John Klink, John Hallford, Phil Cearley, Jason Kanar, Marcos Madrid, Marlaine Magnus, Joanne Potts, Patrick Trupillo, back row: Gregg Reim, Chris Aldana, Frank Coleman, Sean Valenzuela, David Snyder, Darin Gharat, Arthur Martinez, David Absher, Dennis Wend, Bruno Spani, Joe Mendonza.



Left: During an important match Troy Mitchell contemplates his next move.

Second Left: Christina Alcalá carefully examines her test tube for a chemical reaction.

Above Left: Looking over her notes, junior Kashmir Gill prepares for a chemistry test.



Above, Chess Club, front row: Chris Walter, John Bringas, Robert Goodlow, back row: Keith Conner, Troy Mitchell, Shawn Hainstable, Brian Nelson, Advisor Manuel Gotsalves.

Below: Trying to get through an open-book test in general math are Louise Garcia, Terri Speaks, Sharon Machado, Steve Kittle, Eddie Hernandez and Tami Nevitt.



Right: Mike Toso, Angie Gonzalez and Gilbert Sianez struggle to get their work done so they won't have any homework.



Right: Advanced algebra students including Marcos Madrid, Kashmir Gill, Dixie Weststeyn, Roger Wright, Rhonda Boone and Lisa Andrews, work hard to get a good score on a unit test.

Below: Pam McClure diligently works on her Analysis problems, rushing to finish before the bell rings.



Right, Math Club, front row: Doreen Jenkins, Dixie Weststeyn, Holly Beatty, Chris Beatty. Advisor: Ila Westfall. second row: Sean Wani, Julie Westwood, Kashmir Gill, Sarah Gonzalez, Patricia Vera, Rhonda Albright. back row: Ron Lopes, Marilyn Wolf, Arthur Martinez, Ofelia Trujillo, Martina Vasquez, Denise Presley.

Second Right: Wendy Beauvais looks up wonderingly while trying to work out a new problem.



# Math gains new chairman, new teacher; Club begins new scholarship program

by Dalinda Angelo

Adding and subtracting math problems is a fun challenge for some students, even though others consider these mind bogglers a useless hassle. For those who found problem solving easy and enjoyed a competition, an area wide math Superbowl was again offered at Stanislaus State in May. Thirteen eager

students from MHS attended the annual event.

Modesto High welcomed Ron Smith, a new math teacher from the Santa Barbara area. This marked the first year that Smith has taught at a senior high school, after ten years at the junior high level. Although enrollment increased greatly in the algebra and geometry

classes, the unfortunate result was that there were not enough classrooms. It took the school some extra funds from Modesto High, the principal advised.

Stepping in to replace retired Math Department Chairman and Math Club Advisor Marge Stevenson was Mrs. Ila Westfall. Obser-

ving that her new position is often considered a thankless job, Mrs. Westfall remarked, "I like it very much. I had a few difficulties but I'm confident that next year will be a breeze!"

Students involved in the Math Club received help in preparing themselves for the annual Math Superbowl and the MAA tests, which determines who will receive mathematics Scholarships. In addition, students who were interested in math, but not in competing, were also welcome in the Math Club.

Working to recognize and encourage the student who has achieved the highest score in the MAA tests, Mrs. Westfall said, "I want to see the Math Club become a place where students can come to get help with their homework and to study for the MAA tests. I want to see the Math Club become a place where students can come to get help with their homework and to study for the MAA tests. I want to see the Math Club become a place where students can come to get help with their homework and to study for the MAA tests."



Left: With help from teacher Ken Eisdell, Gene Allemand goes through the steps to solving a problem.

Second Left: Working hard to get the last problem done, Lisa Smith, Lloyd Shaw and Donna Rowland hurry to complete their homework.

Upper Left: Karen Smith, Mona Simmons and Tracy Weiford unite their efforts in hopes of finishing their geometry problems.



Below: In Maridale Smith's first year German class April Howell, Charles Clem, Beth Moore, Kathy Foust, Christine Dahnic, Tom Price and Becky Bartoo listen attentively.

Right: While German students Bob Dollar, Joanne Potts, Margie Carrier, Philip Shoman, Tracy Weiford and Val Butler finish some last night's homework, Maridale Smith asks them to get ready for a question about Albert Schweitzer.



Above: While Mrs. Judy Remmers gives the directions, Yolanda Vera, Brian Mitchell, Steve Cousins, Mario Gonzales and Iybal Gill prepare for a surprise quiz.  
Upper Left: AFS member Cathy Dixon prepares her meal at the Foreign Language Dinner in December.  
Upper Right: Second year French students Olga Alberto, Angie Wheeler, Yolanda Alberto, Wendy Beauvais, Naette Horney and Karen Smith find listening to French rock and roll music very amusing.

Right: French student Wendy Beauvais cuts out pictures for her collage assignment.  
Second Right: Tracy Habel, Huang Nguyen, Aurora Navarro, Danna Rodriguez, Carolina Ramirez, Monica Munoz and Donna Shaw pay close attention in a first year Spanish class.  
Lower Right: While Mrs. Maridale Smith hastily draws a picture, Belgian exchange student Christine Dhanis anxiously waits to see what it represents in the charades game at the December party.





# Foreign Languages provide basic-to-advanced courses

by Stephanie Frazier

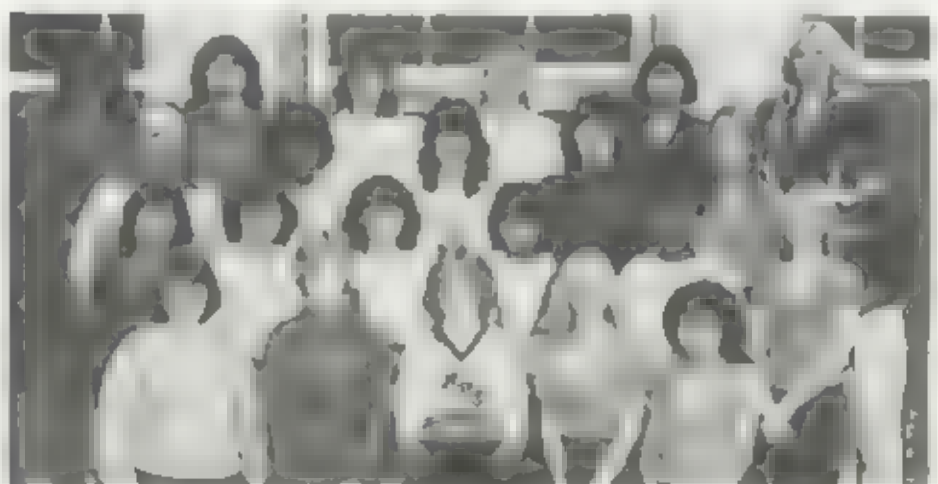
When a student enters a foreign language classroom, they are often met with a variety of challenges. For many, the first year is the most difficult. However, with the help of their teachers and peers, they can overcome these challenges and succeed. The foreign language program at Modesto High School offers a variety of courses, from basic to advanced. The program is designed to help students develop their language skills and gain a better understanding of the culture. The program is also designed to help students prepare for college and career. The program is a great way for students to learn a new language and gain a better understanding of the world.

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Bowling, Jacy Lee, back row: Frank C. Cuman, Dana Sergis, Denise Prosser, Rickie Lee, Pauline Meza, Shary Merdiana

Top: French teacher Judy Remington uses body language to get the attention of students. Left: Hugo Vera and Martina Vasquez. Above: First year French students Hugo Vera and Patrick Ketchum

listen carefully to an explanation of French customs. Above: Right: Spanish Club, front row: Melissa Soares, Lisa Rhine, Sherry Brownlee, Christine Beatty, Florence Lugo, second



One hundred years of heritage is what Modesto High School means to me. It's great to be a part of its celebration.  
—Michele Haley

## Cultural knowledge increased

by Debbie Bowling

**F**or the past several years, AFSA has provided a series of workshops for its members. The workshops are designed to help members advance their knowledge of the signatures of other cultures.

The advanced techniques which are relatively straightforward get unexpected reward. For example, the advanced French parents cook for their children.

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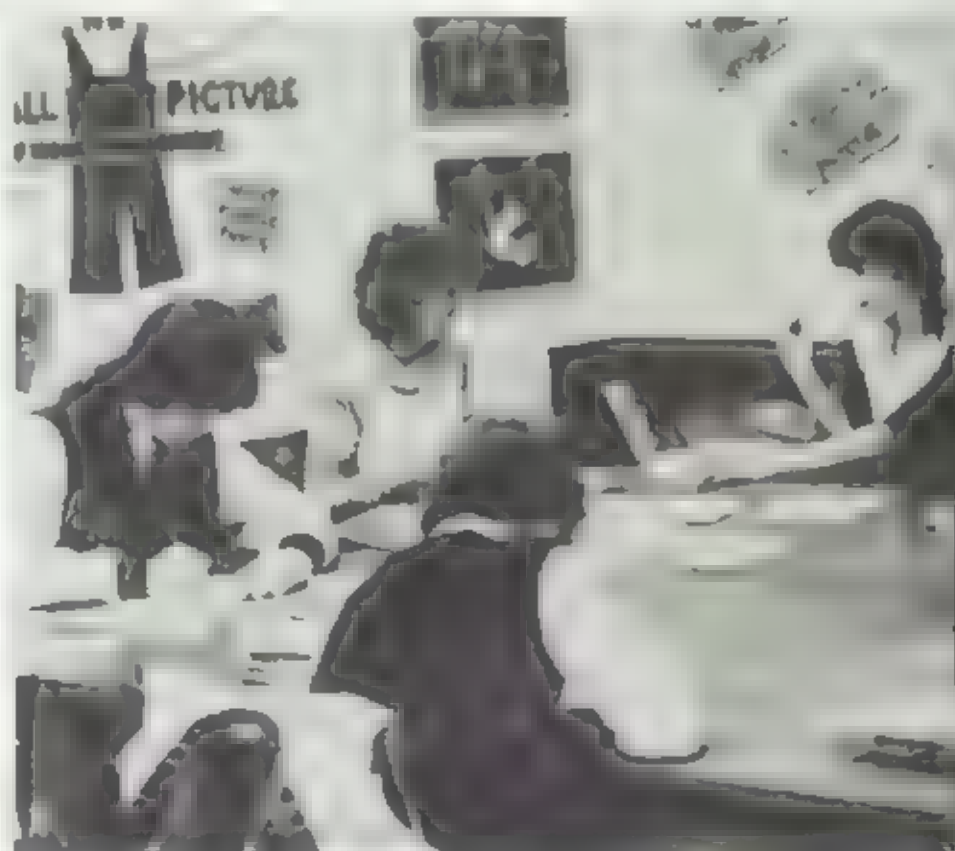
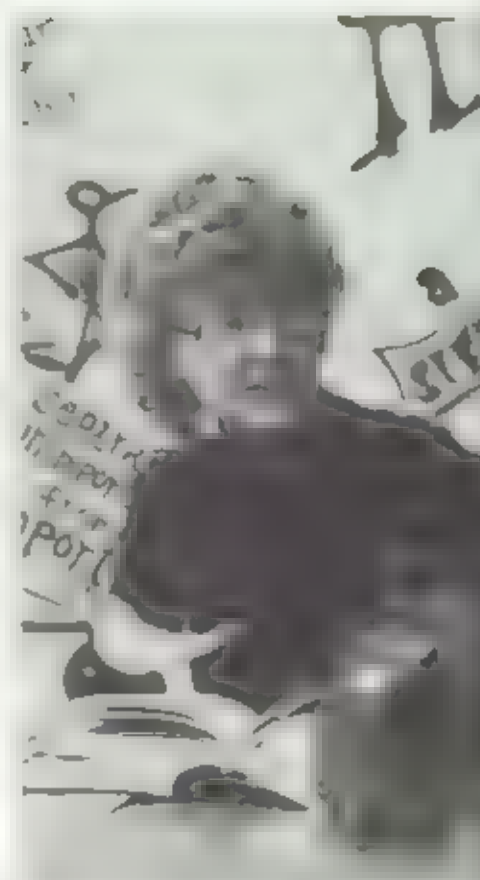
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**Center Left:** At the Foreign Language Dinner, Belgian exchange student Christine Dhanis enjoys a unique cultural experience swatting a pinata.

**Center Right:** While Bob Dollar and Joanne Potts work on their assignments, Mrs. Maridale Smith repeats the instructions to a questioner Val Butler.

**Second Rights:** During an open book test in French, Beatrice Velasquez glances around for a little help.

Right: Marlaire Maguire and Sanett Horney compare answers to a French study sheet while M... retrieves his paper from the floor.

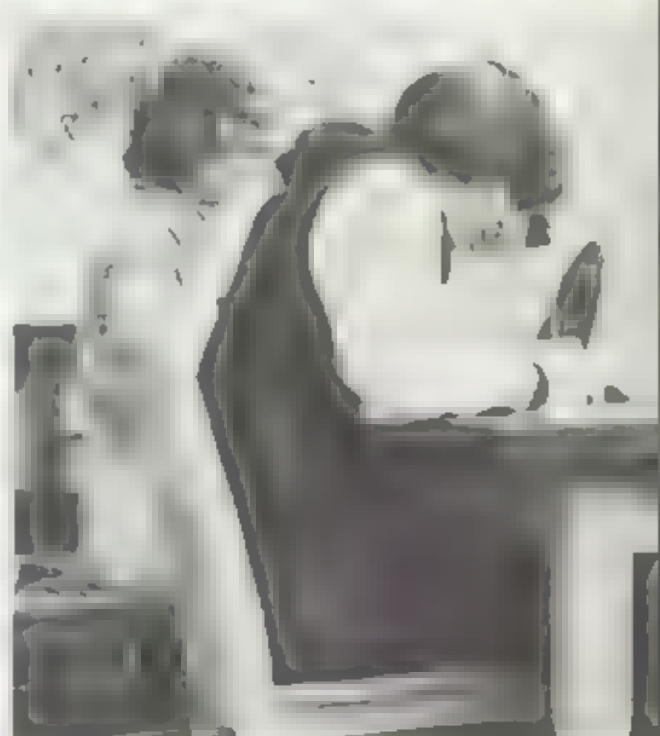
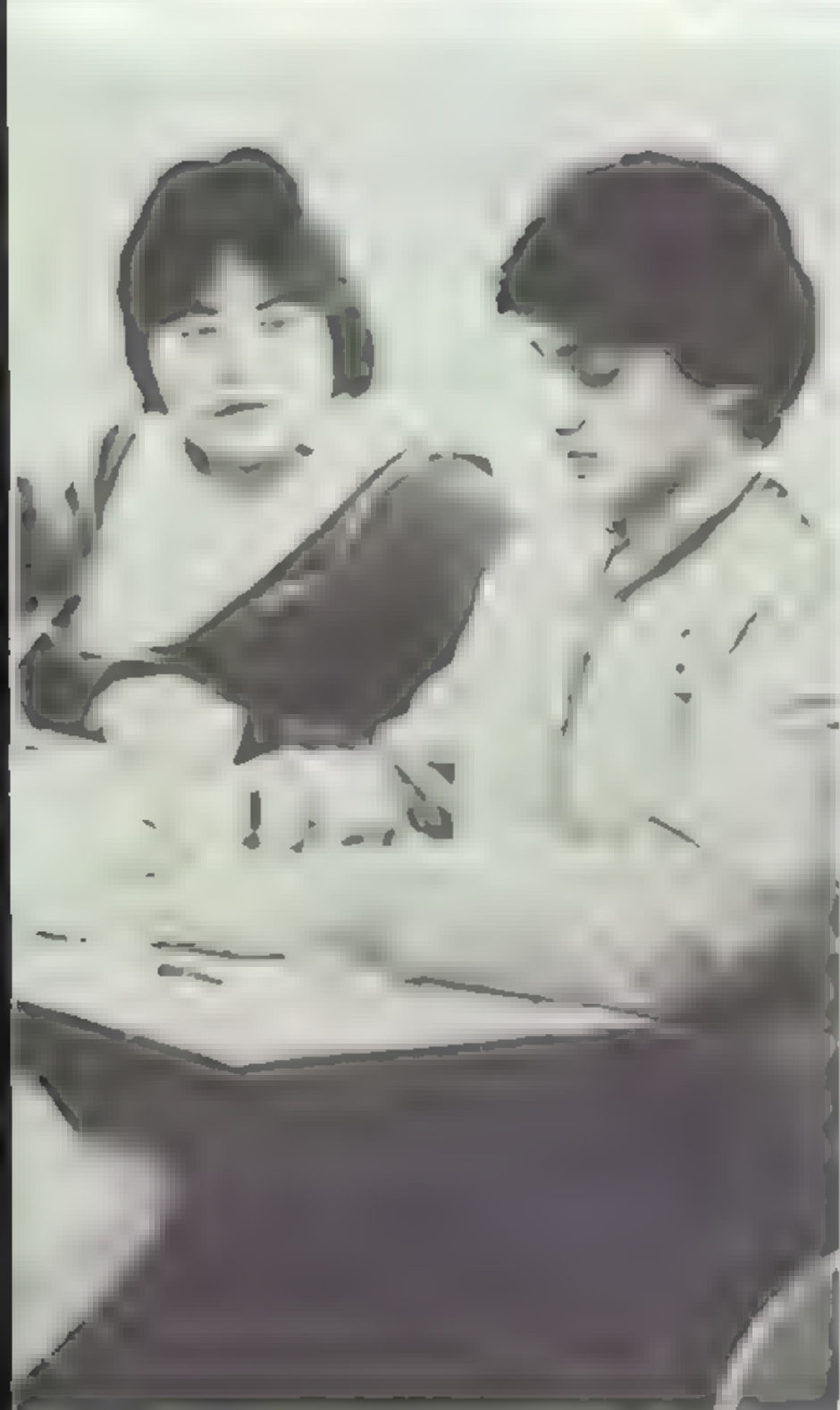






Second Left. German teacher Maridale Smith explains the meaning of the word *Welt* to Celina Hernandez and another student. Left. With Mrs. Judy Remmers giving her hints, Celina Hernandez tries to think of someone else's name before she is swatted by Kathy Dixon at the Foreign Language Dinner. Below, French Club front row: Rosalva Flores, Lucia Nunez, Doreen Shaw, Jessie Lemos, Olga Albert. Next Cousins: Maria Alvarez, Cynthia Vera, Yolanda Vera, Yolanda Alberto. second

row: Cindy Vermeulen, Roger Wani, Iqbal Gill, Alma Gonzalez, Wendy Beauvais, Marlain Magnus, Patricia Trunillo, Hugo Vera, Beatriz Velasquez, Patrick Ketchum. third row: Lucas Alberto, Wendy Lane, Rhonda Tate, Ofelia Trunillo, Kathy Smith, Dianne McHale, Sabrina Larris, Nannette Horney, Eddie Immer. Advisor Judy Remmers. back row: Ana Arrizon, James McHugh, John Klink, Phil Cearley, Jesus Mendoza, Roman Klenovich, Melinda Lee, Martin Vasquez, Angie Wheeler, Karla Hill.



Left: Students sitting at a table. Upper Center: A student. Above: German Club front row: Christine Beatty, Holly Beatty, Tom Pierce, Maxi Magana, Joanne Potts. second row: Beth Moore, Christine Dhanu, Kathy Foust, Tracy Weiford. left Brackett. third row: Charles Clem, Kathy Dixon, Albert Cardozo, Carlos Madrigal, Jason Kanar, Juanita Gomez. back row: Phil Shuman, Alex Smith, Bo Annvik, Darin O'Connell, Jeremy Shuman. Advisor Frau Schmidt (Mrs. Smith).

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I am proud to be a Panther because MHS Panthers have a lot of spirit and are very loyal. Geri Peek

# Business courses 'helpful to everyone;' cotton candy sales aid FBLA fundraisers

by Susie Beckwith

The business courses play an important part in preparing students who are interested in future occupations in the business field. There are many business machines at MHS to give students the experience and skills they need. Such machines include the IBM 1 play center, which was newly installed in 1983, along with the off-set press, fluid duplicator and the IBM magcard. These are all utilized in the word processing classes. There is even a computer terminal for students interested in learning how to operate the latest in office equipment.

The main purpose of the word processing classes is to read and write business letters that will help them through college and better equip them for a job. Whether taking typing, shorthand or bookkeeping, getting the most modern work experience, students have always relied on high quality business courses at MHS. Yet, according to department chairman Arleen Campbell, "Some of the courses in the Business Department would be helpful to everyone." She

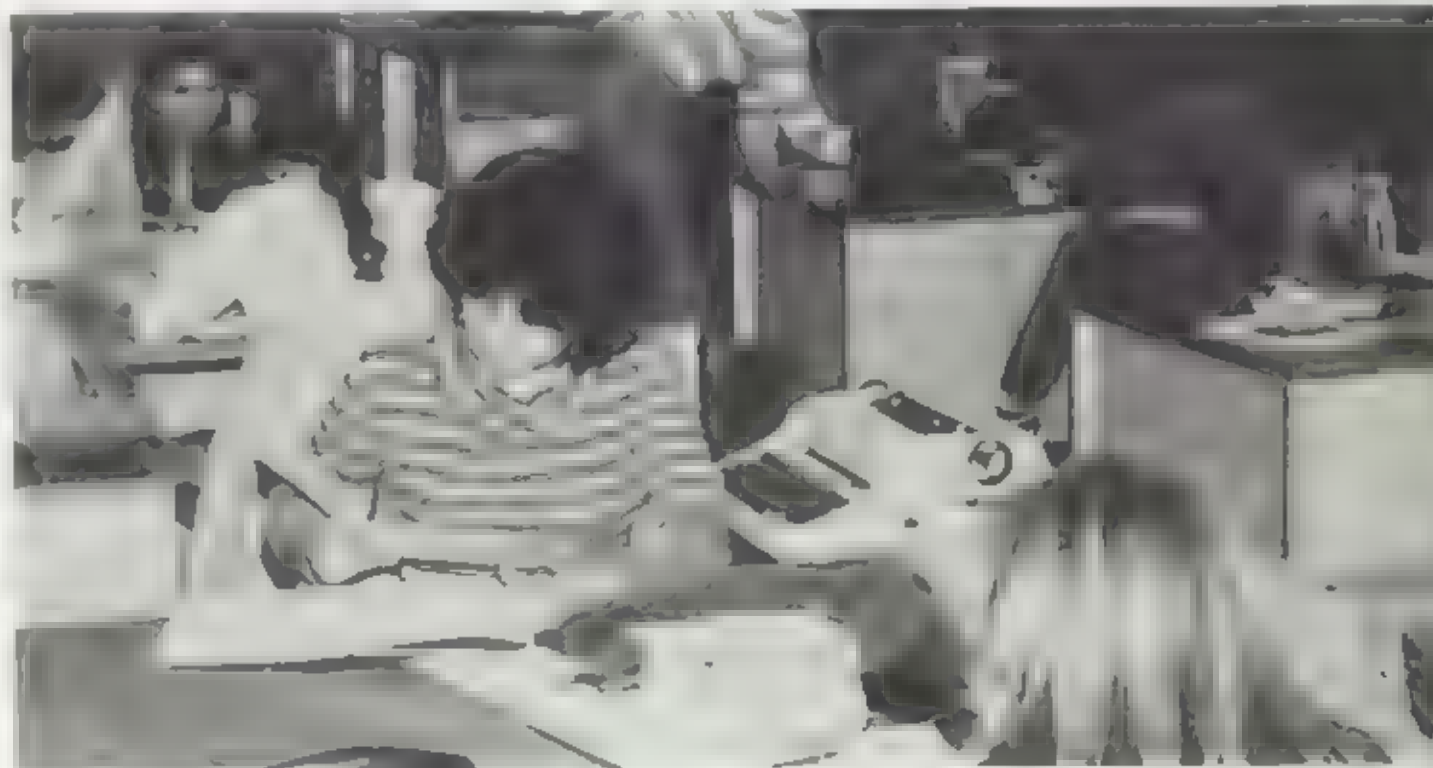
mentioned specifically the business courses and the business English course. Many of the students who participate in these courses are interested in future careers in business.

Formerly known as the FBLA Future Business Leaders of America, the FBLA at MHS does not have much to do with business

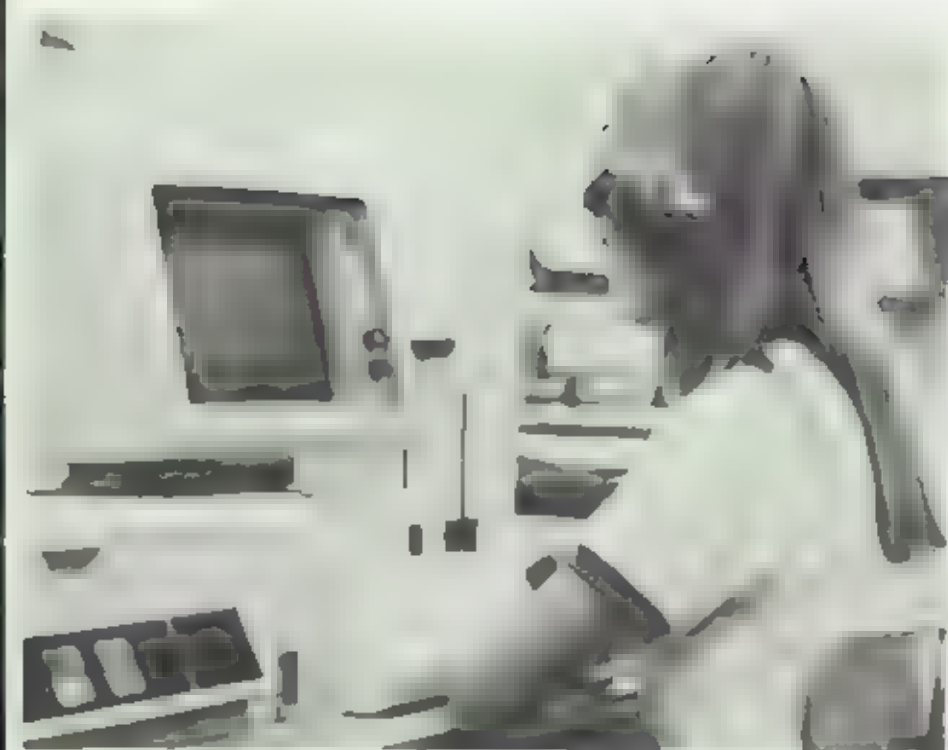
itself. Primarily a social organization, the FBLA at MHS provides its members with all sorts of fun and interesting activities. As with many other organizations, the FBLA at MHS has a lot of fun and interesting activities. With the help of its members, the FBLA at MHS has a lot of fun and interesting activities. Using their own cotton

candy sales, the FBLA at MHS has a lot of fun and interesting activities. For 10 nights to making a profit and selling the popular candy at the home football games. Bringing in a good profit.

Advised by Marilee Awer, the FBLA at MHS has a lot of fun and interesting activities. They were president Paula Peeper, vice-president Lisa Dickson, and treasurer Erin Wray.



Upper Right: While Alma Gonzalez discusses her work with Kashmir Gill, Alma Figueroa looks over her Model Office assignment. Right: Finding an adding machine a useful instrument, Celina Hernandez quickly tabulates a long list of sums in her bookkeeping class. Second Right: Senior Jane Corrales runs another job on the off-set press in Reprographics class.



Left: After finishing an assignment, Tina Mims prints her report on the IBM Word Processor. Below: FBLA front row. Right: Bonnie Seid, center. Standing: Clark, Lisa, Dickson, and Vander

berg. Second row: Marj Yanderl, Rebecca, and Wendy. Back row: Rickie, Chris, and Mary. Back row: Aimee, Marjorie, Ann, Tom, James, Mary, Arthur, Matt, and Paul. Upper: Tim, Wendy.



Left: When Maria South and Cindy Seid are busy, they go to the office to correct their errors. Second: The row continues with Lisa, Rickie,

Below: Debbie Clark, a member of the FBLA, is working on her Mod. 1 office work.



Left: Rickie Lee is eagerly working on his assignment for the Data Processing class. Second: Left: School Cindy. Her exercises her typing skills for the project in her business class.





Right, Jr.-Sr. FFA, front row: Brian Oreglia, Jim Boer, Vince Furtado, Dave Verissimo, Juliet Costa, Beth Moore, Martin McCarthy second row: Stephanie Mattox, Ivan Wyeth, Victor Curci, Chris Mihelis, Bernadette Coito, Roger Wright, third row: Mike Goncalves, Tony Louis, Guy Caldwell, Don Henry, Chuck

Meyer, Val Butler, Jerry Miller back row: Joe Mendonza, Bruno Spani, Joe Henriques, David Absher, Steve Rosenow, Leon Verburg, Bryan Brooks, Richard Dedrick

Lower Right: While John Sprinkle, John Van Oostende and David Absher look on, Jerry Dias hucks a bale of hay during FFA Week



Above, Fresh-Soph FFA, front row: Ken Berry, Scott Wright, Gina Brooks, Jennifer Azevedo, Karen Whitaker, Melissa Soares, Matt Denlinger, Michelle Lout, Mark Oreglia, Bill Schrum second row: Danny Meyer, Shannon Pearson, Michelle Ehrler, Kathy Verissimo, Trevor Taylor, Jeff Shafer, Pete Mihelis, Richard Frestus

third row: John Strang, Terry Christensen, Sheryl Mendonza, Ludy Veldhuizen, Catherine Mihelis, Bobby Holloway, John Sprinkle, Shane Hodge, Chad Basore fourth row: Roy Mims, Garland Teaney, Diana Wyeth, Mike Ross, James McMurry, Randy Romney, Charles Light, Matthew Gistler, Jeff Hardenbrook, Richard Moreno



Above: Mike Goncalves, Trent Bellew and Bernadette Coito listen to the assignment in Mr. Loren Nyman's ag class

Upper Center: Guy Caldwell reads his farmers' manual during class

Right: During ag welding class Jeff Creighton gives a helping hand to David Schrum

Second Right: Freshman Chad Basore ponders the answer to a question on his test



# Ag students linked to solid program, strong Future Farmers organization

by Sheryl Hardenbrook

**L**earning to do,  
Doing to learn,  
Learning to live,  
Living to serve

These words were memorized and used faithfully as the motto of the Future Farmers of America. Although the main purpose of this

organization is agriculture, the club was involved in many other functions during the year. The big fundraiser was the annual Pancake Breakfast held on March 27 at Hart Ransom School. FFA Week was promoted during the week of February 11-15 and volunteers helped as ticket-takers and ushers at

the "Panthers on Parade" Centennial Show on March 11 and 12.

Many activities outside of school kept FFA members busy. Those with animals spent much time grooming and exercising their "projects," getting them ready for shows. Those in Ag Mechanics class worked hard

to construct trailers or other machinery used in farm work.

The FFA Program is offered in conjunction with a full range of agriculture classes during the school day. Classes such as farm management, plant and soil science, and animal husbandry, all taught by Agriculture instructors Loren Nyman and Russel Cosgrave, were available to students who intended to make careers in agriculture as well as those who just wanted to know a little about farming. In addition, the Ag Department also offered ROP Welding, a highly popular course, during sixth and seventh periods.

Early in the year freshmen went through Greenhand Initiation, a meeting that introduced them to the FFA Program, speech tournaments, shows, and livestock auctions. Under the advisanship of Loren Nyman, FFA was led by president Vince Furtado, vice president Leon Verburg, secretary Jim Boer, reporter Val Butler, treasurer Ivan Wyeth, and sentinel Stephanie Mattox. All officers agreed that "FFA is a good activity for young future farmers to get involved with."



Left: Jamie Hiler works to finish his welding project.  
Second Left: In sixth period ag class, David Wilson concentrates on his quarter test.  
Upper Left: Working to make the best time, Bruno Spani hustles a bale in the Hay Bucking Contest during FFA Week.

Right: Rodell Meeks, Ron Mattox, Joe Bettencourt, John Holley and Jeff Creighton watch Jim Thomas demonstrate proper dismantling techniques

# Industrial Education provides students with highly marketable skills; VICA encourages competitive excellence

by Loree Oaks

**I**ndustrial education classes provide students with opportunities to experience the wide varieties of hobbies and jobs available in an industrial career. Many students chose to include classes such as graphic arts, electronics, woodshop, auto shop, metal, and drafting in their busy schedules. These classes offered an opportunity for students to use their creativity freely in all projects.

Woodshop was the most popular of the shop classes offered. Here students could be seen sawing, sanding, and gluing whatever project they were working on at the time. The finished products usually were items such as mirrors, shelves, tables, cabinets and, for the more ambitious students, dresser drawers.

In the metal and automotive courses students often worked on their own personal projects, usually a car or other machine. Drafting was a class that students found enjoyable because they could design plans for everything from basic structures to houses of the future. In the graphic arts classes students learned many different printing techniques. They designed everything from Christmas cards to T-shirts and earned the fundamentals of screenprinting T-shirts. The electronics courses taught students vital knowledge of circuits and engineering while one of the newest classes, computer, taught students vital computer skills.

Under the sponsorship of Mr. Walter Ripley, the local chapter of Vocational Industrial Clubs of America

(VICA) enabled students with similar vocational interests to share their ideas. They traveled to various trade fairs to display their work, and some competed in a variety of industrial contests. Often, the winners at the local, state, and national levels ended with a well-paying job right out of high school.

The Industrial Education Department did a good job of aiding students in making decisions and preparing for careers in the fields offered. Each year brings further advancement of industrial skills and the ability to better understand the fundamentals of each trade.



Above: Joel Martinez happily works on another project in Architectural Drafting

Right: Graphic arts student Bobby Dalton gets into the rhythm of printing some business cards with the platen press. Second Right: Doug Bixler changes the drill bit to a larger size while Leonard Donaldson watches the procedure for safety.



I feel it is a great honor to go to Modesto High during such a rare celebration as a 100th birthday!  
—Richard Freitas







Below, VICA front row: Joe Alan, Ron Mattox, Gary Godbey, Ben's Villanueva, Jesus Ascencio, Paul Wright, Steve Bond, David Van Ande, second row: Advisor

Willard Ripley, Van Rushing, Dan Mattox, Jeff Creighton, Gloria Espinoza, Jose Rivera, back row: Mark Parker, Bobby Norriss, Keri Messer, David Shrum, Frank Medallena



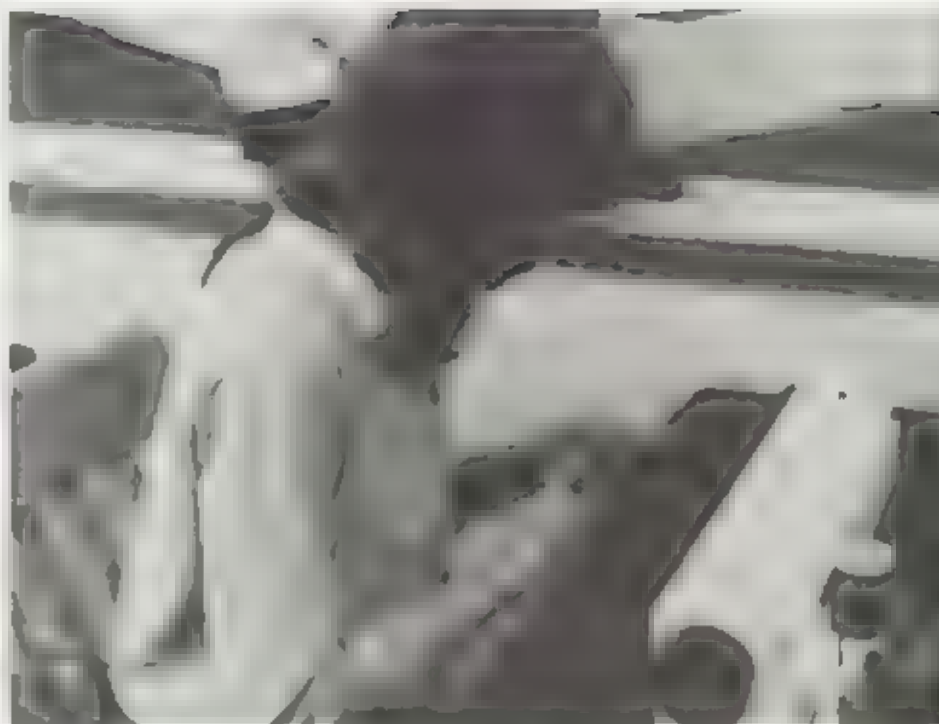
Left: During auto class, Victor Carey, aided by Troy Goldman and Gary Godbey, works on the construction of his trailer.  
Center Left: Marvin Davis learns the basics during his turn on one of the computers in Computertronics.  
Center Right: Using a light table in order to see his work more clear

ly, Joe Gutierrez concentrates on his graphic arts assignment.  
Above Right: Morey Bland carefully positions the clamps on his project so that it will be straight when it dries.  
Above Left: Jose Moran spreads ink on the rollers of the off set printing press.

Below: Sewing teacher Judy Remmers offers Tina Searl some advice on how to assemble the coat she is making in clothing 4.



Right: Linda Ollis cuts off a piece of excess thread before removing her project from the sewing machine



Right: Junior Monica Garcia listens to sewing teacher Donna Holtz's explanations on how to pin together a skirt

Below: 'S' Club, front row: Tammy Rancour, Christine Beatty, Holly Beatty, Shirley Grogan, Julie Westwood, Rhonda Albright. second row: Lori Thomas, Rhonda Boone, Mary Yandell, Marlene Magnua, Debbie Bowling. back row: Anna Arrizon, Tammy Noffsinger, Danita Swinburg, Rachel Cole, Juanita Garza. Advisor Diana Holtz



Right: Jolene Howser puts the finishing touches on a double thickness waistband to be attached to a skirt

Second Right: Caroline Shaw ladles out her batter for pancakes during cooking class



## 'S' Club rates high marks for service projects Home Ec maintains broad variety of courses

by Sheryl Hardenbrook

Showing concern for others is the primary function of the 'S' Club, from selling buttons and scarves at home football games to putting up the traditional Christmas tree which is displayed each year in the main hall.

Members of the 'S' Club spend most of their time

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**Left:** Taking the necessary precautions Ramona Mackri removes her freshly baked casserole from the oven.

**Second Left:** Putting herself into her assignment, Maria Hernandez prepares the dough for her baking project.

Upper Left: 'S' Club member Shirley Grogan puts the finishing touches on the traditional main hall Christmas tree, one of the more visible of the many service projects which the 'S' Club members do each year.



# Drama and dance students add meaning to 'performing arts' at "Panthers on Parade"

by Dianne Watts

**K**nown for its efforts throughout the

entertainment to the MHS made the Centennial Year a significant contribution to the community. The drama and dance classes, under the direction of Paul Fischer, the drama class was the largest in years, with many sophomores and juniors interested in a chance to act and perform on stage. Their first chance came in the semester, when they acted in the "Panthers on Parade" show.

Mr. Fischer stated that many talented students in his class, and others, were just not able to join the class due to scheduling and financial problems. He is expanding the class over to the next year.

There is an increase in the future.

Increased interest in the

next year, which will design and build

As enrollment and production were

of dancing everything from the waltz to disco. The

taught seventh period produced the annual assembly in the various

Mrs. Broome's dance class practiced for many hours each week

routines for a total of nine different dances demonstrating the changes that have occurred

Both teachers agreed that the March 11 and 12 performances were a tremendous amount of pressure and hard work for the kids, but well worth their efforts to hear the sounds of applause from the delighted audiences



Above, Dance Production Team, front row: Veronica Vasquez, Shawna Crane, Janica Emig, Shanie Bentley, Cecilia Peral, Jovita Madrigal, Monica Contreras, second row: Kim Grimes, Rhonda Albright, Wendy Beauvais, Donna De Simone, Maria Dominguez,

Marlaine Magnus, back row: Stephanie Wood, Jaci Lee, Camilla Tillman, Denise Ingram. Upper Left: Dancer Robin Whitman checks her routine in the mirror for flaws. Right: Doing pantomime, Anthony Presto takes aim on his victim.





Left: Mrs. Chris Broome leads Michelle Thorn, Tracy Weiford, Niguel Hernandez and Nadine Nunes along with the rest of her 4th period dance class through a practice of the basic exercises. Opposite Page, Center: During the "Panthers on Parade" performance drama students Gilbert Sianez, Abbye Williams, Jason Medeiros, Luis Madrigal, Steve

Brvant, Gabriel Pacheco, Anthony Presto, Nedra Cuevas, David Scarborough and Keith Parker enact a scene from "Up the Down Stair case."

Lower Center: In the children's play "Winnie the Pooh," Becky Petty portrays the Owl.

Lower Right: Twin Dancers Holly and Chris Beatty strike a classic pose.



Above: Drama students Leanda Gunter and Michelle Thorn do an improvisational skit.

Left: Gilbert Sianez and Anthony Presto exhibit their talent as acrobats.

Second Left: Aspiring actress Sandra Contreras rehearses her role.





**Above: Marching Band** Terri Adams, Rolando Aguilar, Denise Aguirre, Lydia Alberto, Dalinda Angelo, Leslie Anglin, Gary Archer, Michelle Arzvedo, Christine Beatty, Craig Bodas, Christa Boucher, Marne Bradford, Jeff Brown, Sherry Browning, Karl Camacho, Robert Carrillo, Scott Carter, Socorro Castro, Phil Cearley, Manuel Chapa, Vera Chapa, Mary Chave, Ray Chave, Shawne Clark, Cherylce Cope, Steve Cossin, Ray Cox, Sandra Cox, Charita Crane, Crystal Crowe, Eric Dalenbach, Annette Dickerson, Loren Dieu, Leonard Domadieu, Gwen Doney, Marissa Doyena, Mike Evans, Sabrina Farris, Paul Gerhardt, Iqbal Gill, Robert Gaudin, Ann Graves, Chantay Grass, Fredericka Gray, Hayen, Sherri Hobbs, Michelle Howe, Todd Hannon, Eric Jackson, Jennifer Jackson, Kimberlee Jones, Walter Jones, Darren Jenkins, Daniel Johnson, Melissa Jones, Greg Kowalewski, Rodney Laird, Jack Langerman, Rick Langerman, Saman-

tha Lee, Crystal Lindas, Tina Howard, Ron Lopez, Andrea Love, Marlaine Magnus, Martin Martinez, Pamela McCarty, Katy McGrath, Susan McGrath, Chris Medeiros, Jauri Medeiros, Russell Meeks, Sherry Mendencia, Phyllis Mercer, Tina Miles, James Mitts, Tami Nevitt, M'Linda Nunes, Trace O'Laughlin, Sabrina Olinev, Bernita Ott, Paula Peeper, Rene Petry, Barry Peterson, Edna Pelt, Joanne Potts, Wendy Rowe, Jose Sarmiento, Ed Sciarini, Steve Shaffer, Justin Shand, Isaura Silveira, Melinda Simpson, Robert Sims, Nikki Smith, Kim Sperry, Matt Stiles, Sonia Stone, Sherry Stroud, Joel Summerfield, Danata Swinburg, Camilla Tillman, Kristi Valdez, Oscar Vega, Judy Vera, Ruth Vera, Cindy Ventreules, Linda Walker, Sean Ward, Ben Watson, Dixie Weststeyn, Laura Wheeler, Kimberly White, Michelle White, Paula White, Shamin White, Abbie Williams, Tammy Williams, Shellie Wilson, Erin Wray.



**Above:** On the starting line, Erin Wray, Paula Peeper, Terri Adams and Dalinda Angelo wait for the Drum Major's command. **Upper Right, Winterguard,** front row: Leslie Anglin, Dalinda Angelo, Pam McClure, Linda Walker. Sabrina Farris back row.

Dixie Weststeyn, Paula White, Tina Miles, Marne Bradford. **Upper Center:** Percussionists including Jeff Brown, Scott Adkins, Phil Cearley, Loren Dieu, Ray Cox, Lee Jarvis and Trace O'Laughlin keep the beat for the rest of the band.







## Marching Band largest in years; Color Guard competes successfully

by Sean Wani

**E**xecuting precise marching and maneuvering techniques, while providing exhilarating music and crowd-contagious spirit, the Modesto High School Marching Band and Color Guard completed another successful and satisfying year of competitive performances. Under the direction of instructors Gary Runsten, Kelli Brown, and Kevin Stambaugh, the Marching Panthers continued to place among the top bands in every competition entered.

With 125 members, the band was led in competition

by Drum Majors Joanne Potts and Ray Chavez. Improving their performances and rankings as the season progressed, the group participated in numerous football games and competitions. On November 22, the band competed in its most significant competition of the year, Music Bowl VI. Once again the band proved to have a top quality performance by placing in the elite top 12 in California.

At the end of the marching season came the performance of a different style of music, for the band it meant the starting of their concert season. Participating in

numerous local performances, the band was present at the gala Panthers in Parade and the Centennial Concert in May. Proving to its audiences that MHS is not just well known for its marching band, the concert band contributed to the success of many centennial activities.

Another competitive activity related to the band was Winterguard. This group, consisting of 10 members, practiced every Monday and Thursday nights to prepare for their 6-show season. The guard competed at shows ranging from Turlock to Hayward under the direction of Kelli Brown and color guard captain Pam McClure.

The MHS Winterguard placed in the top three guards during the majority of their competitions. They brought home a second place trophy from Hayward, beating guards from Merced, Live Oak, and Logan High Schools. Starting off the season with 7th, the guard consistently brought up their score and received an 83.0 at the championship show at Downey High School.



Upper Left: Field Drum Major Joanne Potts and Parade Drum Major Ray Chavez

Left: Debbie Whitworth, Ray Chavez, Oscar Vega, Jackie Langerman, Erin Wray, Paula Peeper, James Mitts and Tina Miles stand at attention during the Senior Band Day performance.

Second Left: Sean Wani, Robert Goodloe and Sabrina Farris "get down" during their concert number of "Marianne."

Far Left: Color Guard Captain Pam McClure

Being a Panther means to be proud and supportive,  
getting into the spirit of things. —Iqbal Gill

Below Jazz Band front row Chris Daulton, Sabrina Latta, Robert Goodrich, Ron Lopez, Annette Dicker, Sean Manue, Chapa, Sean Wani, Pam McElure, Joanne Potts back row Dix

ie Weststein, Rosendo Aguilar, Ed Serrano, Todd Hunsbrett, on or Shand Ray Chave. Right Lisa Flores and Patty Morgan rehearse the parts of a new piece of violin music.



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Above Orchestra front row Sean Daulton, Sabrina Latta, Robert Goodrich, Ron Lopez, Annette Dicker, Sean Manue, Chapa, Sean Wani, Pam McElure, Joanne Potts back row Dix





Left: Sean Wani, Ray Chavez, Manuel Chapa and James Mitts practice "Russian Sailor's Dance" during a rehearsal. Below, Pep Band, front: Dixie Weststeyn, Eric Grimes, second row:

Sean Wani, Ron Lopes, Ed Seiarini, Matt Stiles, Manuel Chapa, Ray Chavez, third row: Rolando Aguilar, Chris Dallenbach, Todd Hunnicutt, Jose Sarmiento, Bill Wasson, back: Loren Dieu.



## Expanded orchestra visits Magic Mountain; Pep and Jazz bands provide entertainment

by Sean Wani

During the 1982 school year Modesto High continued to exhibit its usual award-winning music programs through the orchestra, Pep Band, and Jazz Band. These activities provided interested musicians the opportunity to play a wide variety of music ranging from classical to modern jazz.

In its 70th year of existence, the orchestra, under the direction of Mr. Rick Paderas, brought to students a style of music not found in any other type of musical activity. Meeting every day during first period and lunch, the orchestra practiced diligently. Recognition was earned by the orchestra

through its performance in concerts and centennial activities. The major competition took the orchestra to the Flags Magic Mountain, where members competed against orchestras from all over the state of California.

The Pep Band, led by student director Ray Chavez, continued to add glitter and pageantry to school activities and athletic events. Performing at numerous rallies, football, and basketball games, the Pep Band proved itself unique in entertaining and lifting the overall spirit of MHS. Amusing listeners with a wide variety of music, ranging from yesterdays' "Charleston" to today's "Get It On," the Pep Band made

its presence known with just what their name implies, peppy enthusiasm.

Rounding out the trio of small instrumental groups is the Jazz Band. As an extra curricular activity, the Jazz Band met after school and held evening rehearsals. Members were selected from both the Marching Band and Orchestra to perform a wide variety of jazz music. Performing

at the All City Jazz Festival, and local school assemblies, the Jazz Band brought to its audiences a recollection of music and styles from the earlier jazz era.

Together, these three instrumental groups played an important part in maintaining the excellence of the all around music program at MHS.



Opposite Page  
Center Left: Tina Doty and Bridgette Simmons rehearse for the spring concert.  
Center Right, Upper: Pep Band members Bill Wasson, Matt Stiles, Manuel Chapa and Ray Chavez accompany the songleaders with the "Charleston."  
Center Right, Lower: Violinists Angie Gonzales and Tonya Echols sight read a piece of music for the first time.  
Lower Right: Pep Band members Rolando Aguilar, Gary Runsten and Steve Cousins play to the beat set by drummer Loren Dieu.



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Second Left: Sean Wani and Ron Lopes help the Pep Band liven up a fall rally.  
Left: With her cello Donna Henry practices a new selection with the rest of the orchestra.  
Above Left: First Chair Ryan Edwards concentrates on improving his fingering technique on the cello.  
Above Right: Hong Thai and Tom Miller warm up on the violin by playing rudimentary scales.







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Above, Art Club, front row: Lucas Alberto, Jose Zapien, Doug Clark, Jesse Castaneda. second row: David Snyder, Jeremy Shuman, Jim Peck, Mario Alcala. third row: Clint McCullough,

Jake Weston, Lydia Andrews back row: Chris Aldana, Richard Brunetti, Leroy Grays, Gregg Reim, Brenda Swartz, Lora Bryant. Right: Trace O'Laughlin adds finishing touches to his painting.



Above: Zusi Zuniga listens to instructions before continuing with her project. Upper Left: Photographer Jake Weston carefully focuses his camera to get that perfect picture. Upper Center: Arcelia Quintero, Sokhom Sambum and Lisa Rodriguez begin a drawing assignment. Right: In a ceramics class, Troy McCutcheon makes a little mug for himself.





# Art Department holds annual Faire, sponsors float in Centennial Parade

by Paula Peeper

While some students enrolled in art just to satisfy a fine arts graduation requirement, others enjoyed the chance to take a break from the daily routine of doing written assignments. They were allowed enough time for working on their projects as they aimed to achieve their own ideas of perfection. The more talented and ambitious students took several classes at ad-

vanced levels because they hoped to try their hands at art-oriented careers.

As the school year began, the Art Department gained momentum as one of the areas at the school actively involved with plans for participation in the Centennial Celebration. Student art shows and exhibits were frequent occurrences during the year.

Art classes offered included ceramics, commercial art,

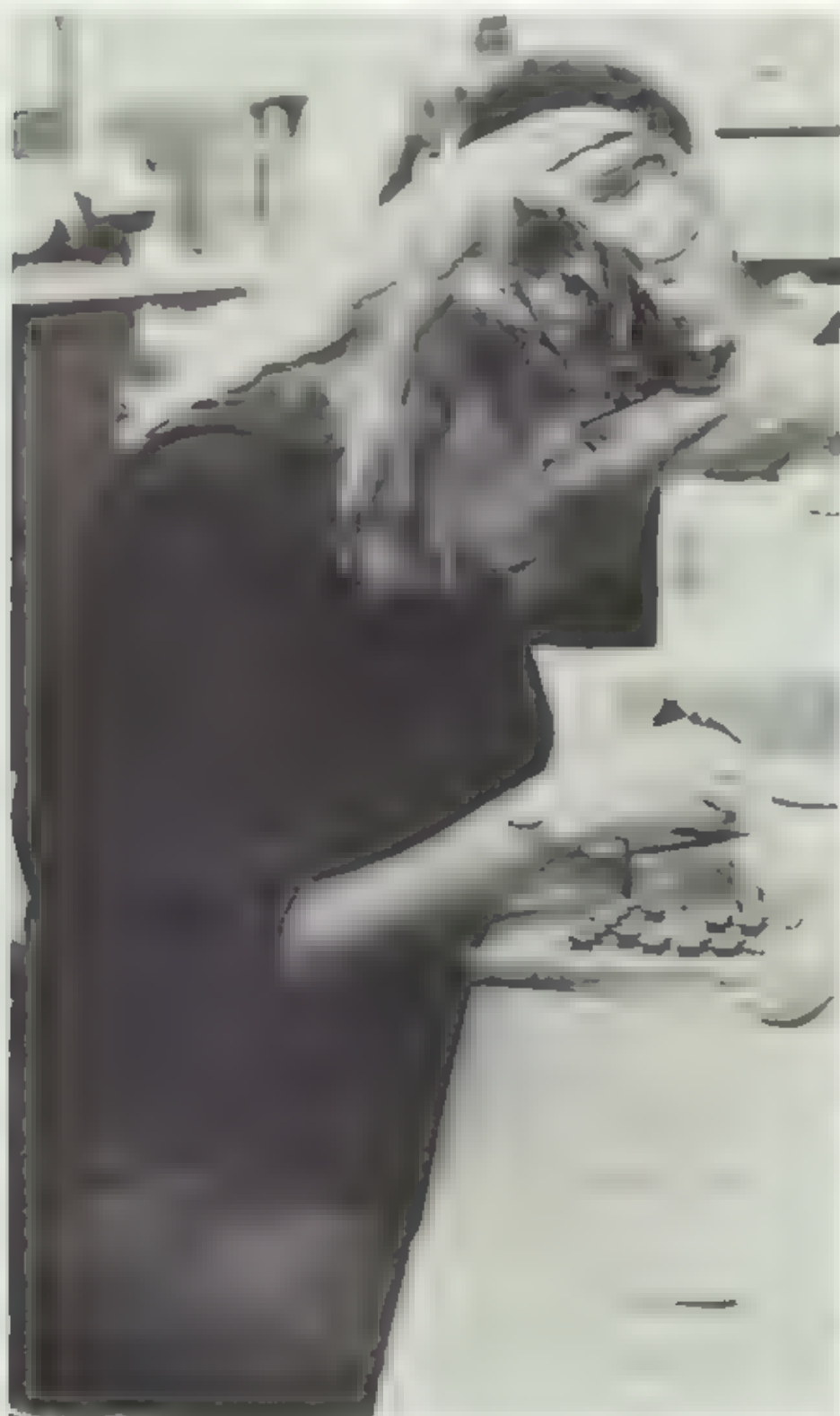
drawing and painting, leathercraft and ceramic sculpture. Advanced art courses offered students further opportunity to work with oils, ink, acrylics, watercolors, ceramics and school service projects.

Held during third period in the drawing and painting class, Art Club meetings were open to students with an expressed interest, or those nominated by instructors. Leroy Givannon, Phyllis Boteler, and James Shuman. Meetings were conducted by president Lisa Randolph, vice president Lara Bryant and secretary Lisa Andrews.

Fundraising for the club consisted of selling popcorn

at football and basketball games and similar activities. In addition to the 1984 Art Fair held in May, at which drawings, paintings, photographs and posters were displayed in the courtyard, the club participated in the Centennial Parade by constructing a three-dimensional model of the original H Street main building as its float entry.

"I'm very proud of the excellent quality the students have this year," stated Mrs. Phyllis Boteler, Art Club advisor. "The participation this year has been extraordinary compared to the last few years and it made our Centennial celebration even more special."



Above: Rhonda Albright puts the final touches on a ceramic bowl before it is fired.

Left: Shannon Vanderburg smiles at the results of her work in painting class.

Second Left: During a leathercraft class, Elizabeth Watson carefully engraves a design.

Opposite page, Lower Right: Outhith Vongkhamchan and Doug Bixler compare their work in an Art 1 class.

Opposite Page, Center Right: After completing a drawing, Russell Newton puts his name, date and period in the lower right hand corner of the paper.



I come from a family of five MHS graduates, and I'm proud to be one of many to keep traditions like that going.  
—Sabrina Farris

# Egg Babies to CPR: driver ed, careers, health combine for lively program in Sophomore Goals

by David Hodges

**D**uring the first semester of the Sophomore Goals program, students are introduced to a variety of topics that will help them prepare for the future. The program is designed to provide students with the knowledge and skills they need to succeed in college and in the workforce. The first semester focuses on the basics of college life, including time management, study skills, and career exploration. Students are encouraged to take advantage of the resources available to them, such as the career center and the library. The second semester of the program is more focused on specific career paths. Students are required to complete a series of projects and assignments that will help them develop their skills and knowledge in their chosen field. The program is designed to be a challenging and rewarding experience for all students who participate.

Right: Anna May and Anne Veras mix up after an experiment in the sophomore biology class.

Upper Center: Amanda Hernandez, John LaFreniere, Armando Hernandez, and Ramona Mackey test their speeds on the Marsh-Dexter boards.

Second Right: A rather grown-up Egg baby awaits the return of his mother.

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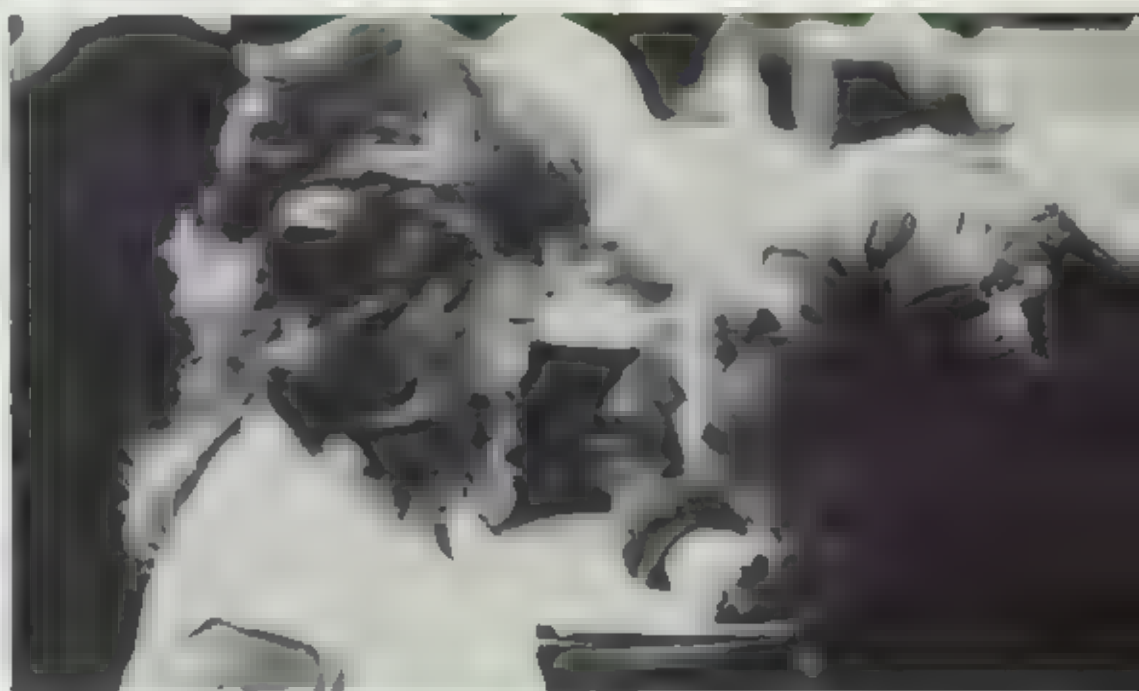
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Far Left: Dever Education instructor Len Kaiser lectures to his class as Jose Vera takes notes.  
Left: Thoughtful parent Tina Deatherage checks her Egg Baby's diapers.  
Below: Listening carefully to Mr.

Marty Boer's instructions, Lloyd Hable, John Gasman, Kamona Mack, Armando Hernandez, John La Fromboise, Yasada Hernandez, Lydia Ortega and Evelyn Nava prepare to use their Manual Dexterity boards.



Upper Center: While a friend busily takes notes, Araza Madrid dictates her findings in a beach experiment.  
Above: Bezo Villareal and Chris Dann prepare their data for the

next experiment.  
Left: Armando Hernandez takes advantage of the study time in Career Planning class to catch up on some homework.



Modesto High has been going strong for 100 years and we're not quitting yet! I'm proud to be a Panther.  
—Christine Beatty





# 'Work' takes many forms, from ROP to Work Experience to academic achievement

by Mike Toso

Many students wish to learn about certain topics at work while remaining in a classroom setting. MHS offers job related classes through the Career Center called ROP, Regional Occupation Programs. Each of the area high schools offers different types of subjects for students who wish to get a head start on their future college or vocational major.

Computer Science offered at Davis and Modesto High is a popular course. MHS offers a Work Experience program. Mr. Jones, the instructor, says that the program is designed for students who are interested in learning about a specific field. The program is designed to give students a head start on their future college or vocational major.

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Left: During her ROP Data Processing class, Lorce Oaks receives help on a difficult access problem from instructor Judy Jones. Second Left: Danda Angelo fills a customer's order for a large soft drink while working at McDonald's. Upper Left: CSF advisor Walter Baddell discusses the club's plans for a spring field trip with members Sean Wani, Dalinda Angelo and Jeremy Shuman.



My relationship with Modesto High is simple but very important. I think it's great just to have been a part of it during its 100th Birthday!  
—Philip Mercer

Below, Ski Club, front row: Lisa Dickson, Paula Peeper, Leanda Gunter, Dianne Watts, Erin Wray; back row: Kelly Calkins, Chuck Meyer



Right: Easily returning a lob, Beth Moore sharpens her skills during PE class  
Second Right: Block M member Randy Dill relaxes in the courtyard during lunch



Above: A beginning PE class works hard to improve their skills in a volleyball game

Center Left: Students and parents enjoy the dessert at the Winter Sports Banquet

Center Right: Frank Cardona struggles with a heavy set of weights as he attempts to curl 135 pounds

Right, Block M Club, front row: Marcos Madrid, Leroy Grays, Dino Quinn, Luis Madrigal, Shannon Nicholson, Ron Dixon, Mike Toso; second row: Melinda Simpson, Doreen Jenkins, Leslie Anglin, Rhonda Albright, Sandi Grover

Beth Moore, Stephanie Heersink, Pam Ketchum, Cindy Vermeulen; third row: Chris Mihelis, Camilla Tillman, Melinda Lee, Lori Howell, Dianne McHale, Denise Presley, Valarie Butler, Dawn Hudson, Arney Corbin; fourth row: Bob Dollar, Joey Stowers, Bo Annvik, Brian Nevitt, Randy Dill, Dennis Wend, Sheryl Hardenbrook, Sharyl Mendonza, Sam Cousins; back row: Darren Teepes, Andy Gonzales, David Absher, Harrison Lee, Troy McCutcheon, Sergio Harrison, David Zehnder, Bruno Spani, Joe Mendonza







# PE maintains physical 'tone'; Block M honors still popular; Ski Club revives for winter season

by Tommy Warren

**M**rs. Helen Davis, PE teacher, says that Block M is still the most popular physical education class at MHS. PE students are required to take the class through the first period basketball term. The

program is designed to give students a good foundation in sports and physical fitness. The class is divided into several units, including basketball, volleyball, and tennis. Students are also taught about the importance of a healthy diet and regular exercise.

The physical education program at MHS is designed to provide students with a well-rounded physical education. The class is divided into several units, including basketball, volleyball, and tennis. Students are also taught about the importance of a healthy diet and regular exercise. The program is designed to give students a good foundation in sports and physical fitness. The class is divided into several units, including basketball, volleyball, and tennis. Students are also taught about the importance of a healthy diet and regular exercise.

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Left: At the Fall Sports Banquet last Andrews McIndalee Denise Presley, Stacy Mendonca, Cindy Vermeulen, Sarah Grover, and Rhonda Abigail wait to receive their volleyball awards. Second Right: Varsity football coach Butch Mendonca presents longtime MJC football coach Sam Payko with an appreciation gift. Center Left: Having been forced inside by the rain, Theresa Ramirez watches her table tennis partner Ken McCune return a serve in their PE class.



# A Century

by Rhonda Albright



Above: Posing on the front steps to promote a play in the 1920's, students are disciplined for drawing their version of Old Lady Prude.

Right: Displaying their enjoyment of an evening of quiet entertainment, Jose Garcia, Rhonda Albright and Susie Beckwith sing along as Chris Adana plays the pump organ in the parlor at the McHenry Museum.



# of Individuals



uring the past century, more than 100,000 individuals have attended or served as staff members at Modesto High School. Thousands of MHS graduates have since become prominent citizens of the Stanislaus County area. Many have achieved fame and recognition of a broader scope, in such diverse fields as agriculture, vocal music, religion, professional sports, and entertainment.

For the first half of the 20th century, MHS was the only high school in town, and its students excelled in every imaginable achievement. Thus alumni and "near graduates" from the 1920's to the present time think of MHS with a very special fondness, for it is the source of occurrences both happy and sad in their teenage years that have molded their lives and their memories.

The first long-term administrator was Thomas Downey, who served from 1889 to 1915; his 26 years as principal still stand as a record. He led students and faculty from a one-room enrollment of less than 50 to an 8-room enrollment of 250, and from a fixed, three-year curriculum to a four-year program with numerous electives. By his retirement, plans were underway to move to a larger site.

A more recent principal, J. Wesley Berry, served the school from 1935 to 1968, of which the last 18 were as principal. He presided over the latest period of growth and change, with the reconstruction of the present campus and the opening of Downey and Davis High Schools occurring during his tenure.

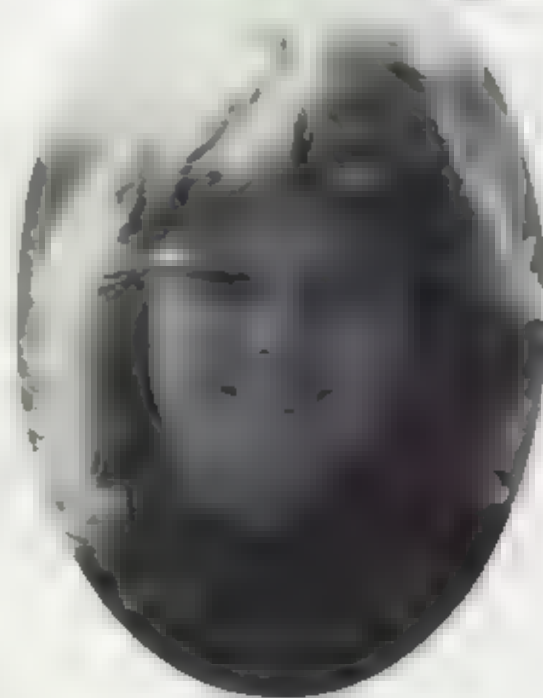
Between these two principals came 33 years of development unparalleled in scope and unrivaled in excellence. From a graduating class of 36 in 1915, the school "maxed out" in 1953 with 559. An estimated 80% of all 20,833 graduates are still alive, filled with nostalgia for their alma mater.

Individuals of all races and many nationalities have contributed to the strength of MHS. Blacks, Italians, Japanese, Mexicans, Portuguese, Vietnamese, have mingled their efforts with that of the basic white majority to create a truly unique Panther Heritage.



Left: Enjoying the noon-hour break, senior Bruno Spani shares a joke with his friends.

Below: Her individuality and friendliness apparent, freshman Janina Rhine smiles shyly.



Above: Sophomore Michelle Foust flashes a friendly smile as she leaves class and heads for the courtyard.



# A Century of Individuals



by Susie Beckwith

In the past, MHS individuals segregated themselves into one or another group. There wasn't a lot of choice, for they were either involved with the "in" group or they were left out. Today there are several socially approved groups, while many people consider themselves a part of no group which could be considered "in" or "out" but simply do what they think is their own thing.

A funny thing about "in" groups: determining which ones are approved depends primarily on the perceptions of the individual, so that what one person thinks is "in" may be very much "out" according to another's opinion.

One example of "in" is hanging out in the courtyard, wearing Vans, 501's and Varnets, and calling yourself a Beach Bum or Surfer; on the other hand, Aggies feel that wearing



Upper Left: "Sultry" Esther Tully, a 1919 grad, provides a charming image in her senior portrait

Center Left: A 1953 graduate, Dr. Alan Vincent is currently one of the members of the Modesto City Schools Board of Education

Left: Graduate Bonnie Beaman poses for her 1961 senior portrait

Above: Juniors Victor Curei and Leslie Anglim try out each others' headgear to see if they can improve their grades in English class

Right: "Chorus line" members Sabrina Farris, Susie Beckwith and Dianne McHale sing their way through a commercial at the fall year book assembly

cowboy boots, jeans, belts and buckles, and cowboy hats is the only way to go. Obviously, a lot depends on your own personal preference.

The newest group of individuals to become a part of Modesto High is the freshman class. These enthusiastic newcomers are quick to pick up the characteristics of everyday life and to fit in with other class members, not only other freshmen but also upperclassmen.

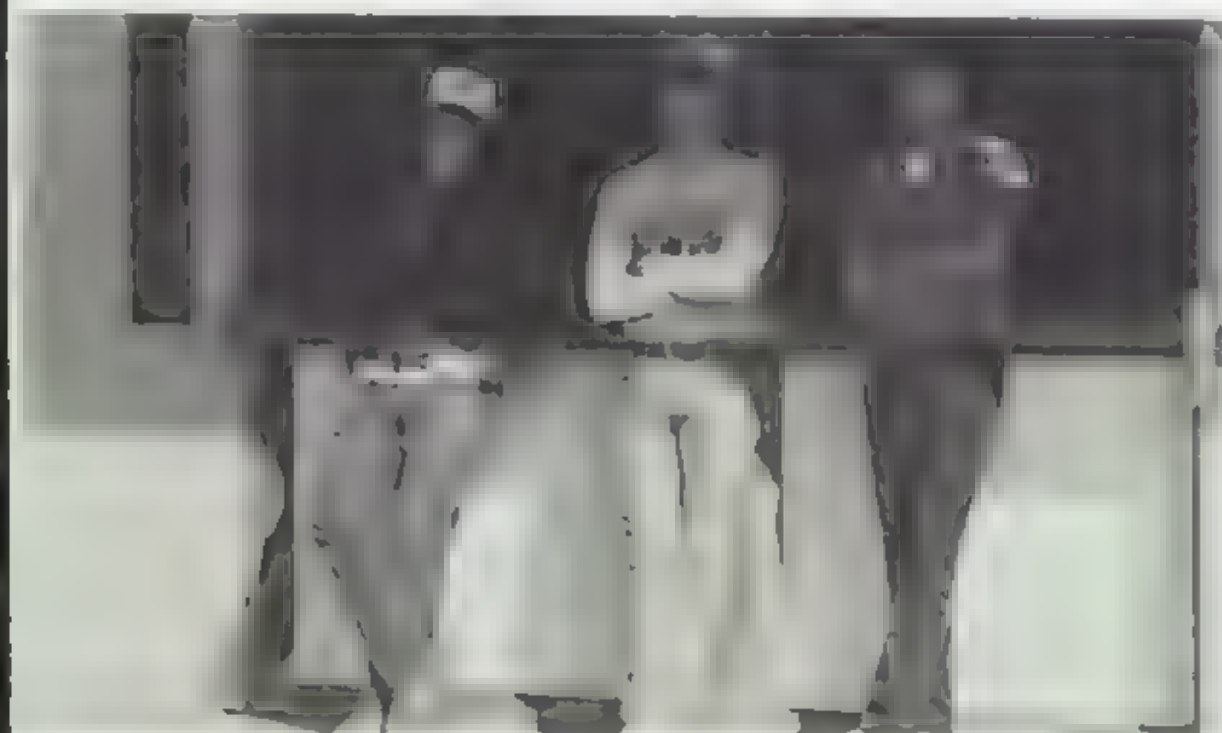
Though there were never any major problems between the classes, there was occasionally a struggle of some sort for a freshman trying to avoid seniors who wished to "initiate" him or her in the traditional way by use of a garbage can or other demeaning task.

During the tenth and eleventh grades, students tried to get academic classes out of the way. These were also the most active years, in

spirit, sports, or student government. Students excelled in each field as well as in academic and individual maturity.

The various informal groups which spanned the differences between classes were considered special because they weren't segregated by grade levels or between the different races. The relationship between freshmen, sophomores, juniors and seniors was primarily a friendly one. Freshmen became active participants in the pursuit of Panther Life, while the relationships of previous years continued with the upperclassmen becoming closer as the year progressed.

Modesto High individuals have excellent communication between themselves, as well as with faculty members, providing one more example of the pride and unity within MHS!



Upper Left: Brian Nevitt, Butch Flinburg and Robert Berry, better known as the "South-Mo Gang," spend their lunch hour at their favorite spot, leaning against the art office window.  
Upper Right: David Absher, Brian Nevitt, Dino Quinn and Leroy Grays watch intently at the play in action

while taking a break from the sidelines.  
Above Left: Ray Tobar takes a moment from his lunch to question his friend Scott at a joke.  
Above Right: Junior Laurie Medeiros



## Rodney Owen

by Paula Deeper

**M**HS has done an excellent job of providing a safe and healthy environment. Mr. Owen can't do it all. Mr. Rodney Owen, Director of Student Activities, has worked hard to make sure that the school is a safe and healthy place for all students.

Mr. Owen has coached five years of speech, and has taken on the role of activities director for MHS students.

In that role, Mr. Owen is in charge of nearly all athletic events, including basketball, football, and soccer.

For many of these, he delegates actual supervision to other staff members.



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**Upper Left:** In a Chapter I English class, Mr. Rodney Owen teaches the importance of public awareness. **Above:** During the Christmas Assembly Mr. Owen assumes the role of Santa Claus, delivering an amusing speech to the student body.

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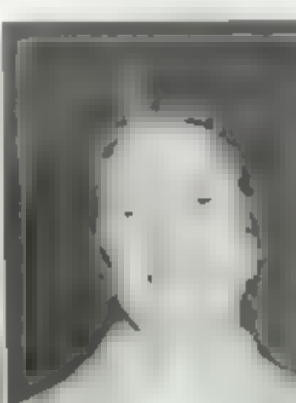
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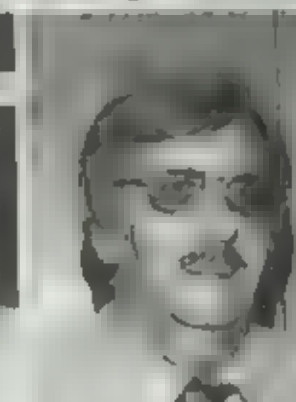
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BA - MA - USC  
Physical science, educational  
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enjoys golf, tennis, and  
fishing  
at MHS since 198

Diane Dinsmore  
Assistant Principal,  
Instruction  
BA - Casc Stanislaus  
member - Stanis Math  
Council  
enjoys auto's, swimming,  
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at MHS since 1975  
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Mr. Ronald L. H.  
Assistant Principal,  
Student Personnel  
MA - Loma Linda U  
couns. and psych  
member, Phi Delta Kapp  
enjoys work, bowling  
at MHS since 198

Mr. Charles Vida  
Dean of Students  
BA - Cal Poly - Pomona  
MA - Loma Pacific College  
one years teach - coach  
SB director, Elbow HS  
Riverside  
enjoys time spent with fam  
at MHS since 1

Mr. Walter Badden  
Counselor  
BA - UC MA - UOP  
advisor, CSI  
n, Elks Club  
Scholarship Committee  
r, Phi Delta Kappa  
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Counselor  
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co-sponsor, MASA  
enjoys fishing, boating,  
water skiing  
at MHS since 1987



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Counselor  
BSW - U of Michigan  
at MHS since 1969

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School Nurse

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Presbyterian  
St. Luke's  
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County School Nurse  
at MHS since 1987

Ms. Sheridan King  
Counselor  
MED - UC Santa Barbara  
enjoys riding, sailing,  
skating, painting  
sculpting, re  
at MHS

Mr. Rodney Chert  
Director of Student  
Activities  
BA - Mod Murray U  
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Mr. Art Barbo  
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Robert H.  
Speech Therapist  
MA - CSC - San

Librarian

Ms. Vivian Hawker  
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at MHS since 1979

Mrs. Mary Rose Shelton  
Chapter I Nurse  
College  
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counselor

Mr. William Lew  
School Psychologist  
MA - MS - CSL - Sa  
at MHS since 1979

Mrs. Ingrid Strong  
Migrant Resource  
Teacher  
MA - I - Arizona  
ESL - German  
enjoys sewing, tennis,  
reading, backpacking  
at MHS since 1987



I am proud to be a Panther because Modesto High  
has the best students and the best teachers  
Vickie Johnson

## Teaching staff upholds proud traditions

by John Hallford

**M**odesto High is fortunate to have what is often called the best staff around. This feeling is based on the opinions of the public, teachers and administrative members of other schools in the area, as well as the students at MHS.

Throughout the years the faculty of MHS has held the well-deserved title of being the most spirited and involved staff in the city. Many faculty members have made maintaining and encouraging school spirit not only a part of their job, but also a part of their weekly lives, neither of which is

required. A prime example of this is in the person of Mr. John Sample, the chairman of the Social Science Department.

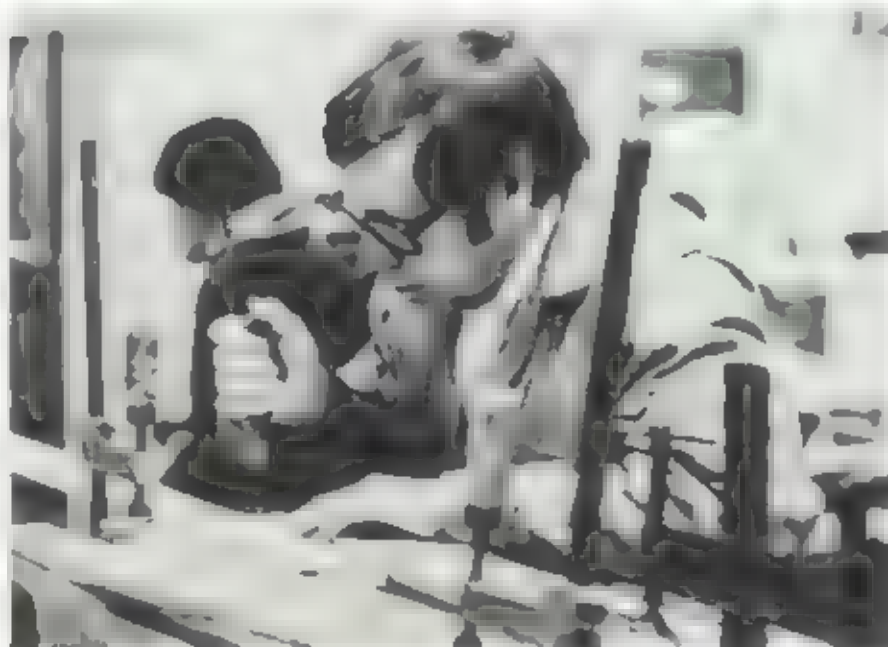
As the years have gone by and the trends of the times have changed, students have changed their attitudes by becoming more casual in their behavior around school. Even through this the staff of MHS has managed to come back each year and encourage students to do their best. They have long upheld a tradition of dedication to the students of Modesto High and their education.

The staff of Modesto High has for some time remained, in a way, the unsung heroes. As the graduating classes leave MHS each year a larger class moves up to replace their predecessors. The teachers have had to compensate for these increases with little or no aid. Even with the recent unexpected cuts in funding and supplies, the faculty of Modesto High has put out extra effort to maintain standards of teaching. Although receiving little recognition for their efforts they were appreciated highly by students and other faculty members.

For years faculty members have been instrumental in supervising clubs and organizations, especially in helping them with fundraising activities. Realizing their generosity, students always appreciate the faculty support.

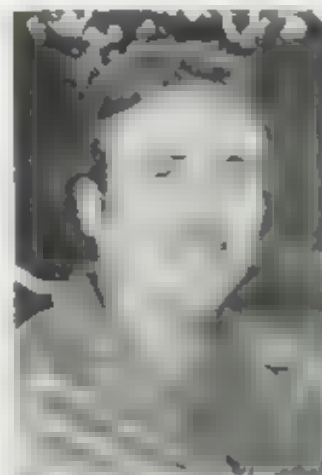


Above: At the AFS banquet, Mrs. Maridale Smith points the "forward" students to the end of the chow line.  
Right: Woodshop teacher Harlan Elving checks to see that the clamps a student has applied are securely tightened.



Mr. John Sample  
Physical Education  
MS - Cal Poly - San Luis Obispo

Miss Marilee Abernethy  
Business



Mr. John Blackmore  
Co-Chairman English  
AB - Stanford University  
MHS since 1968

Mr. John Blackmore  
Resource Specialist  
MA - CSU Hayward  
MHS since 1968

Mr. Mars Baker  
English  
MA - Washington State  
advisor Senior Class  
golfing, the arts  
MHS since 1968

Mr. Daniel Boer  
Adaptive PE  
BA - CSC Stanislaus  
physical education  
in Adaptive PE  
MHS since 1981

with a lot of  
world stars  
at MHS in 1981

Being proud of Modesto High simply means supporting the entire school, as well as fellow Panthers, in anything it may do!  
—Lisa Negele



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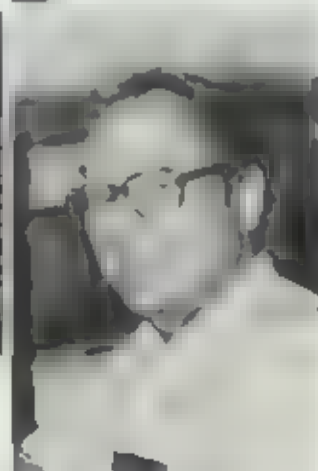
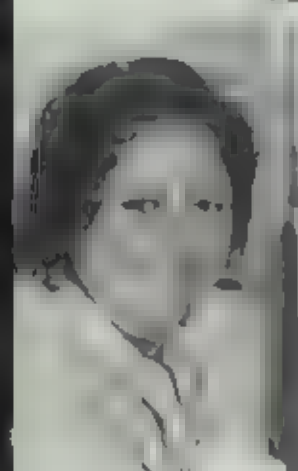
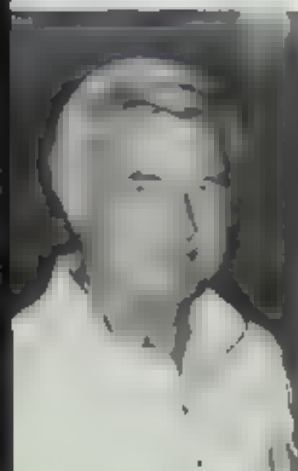
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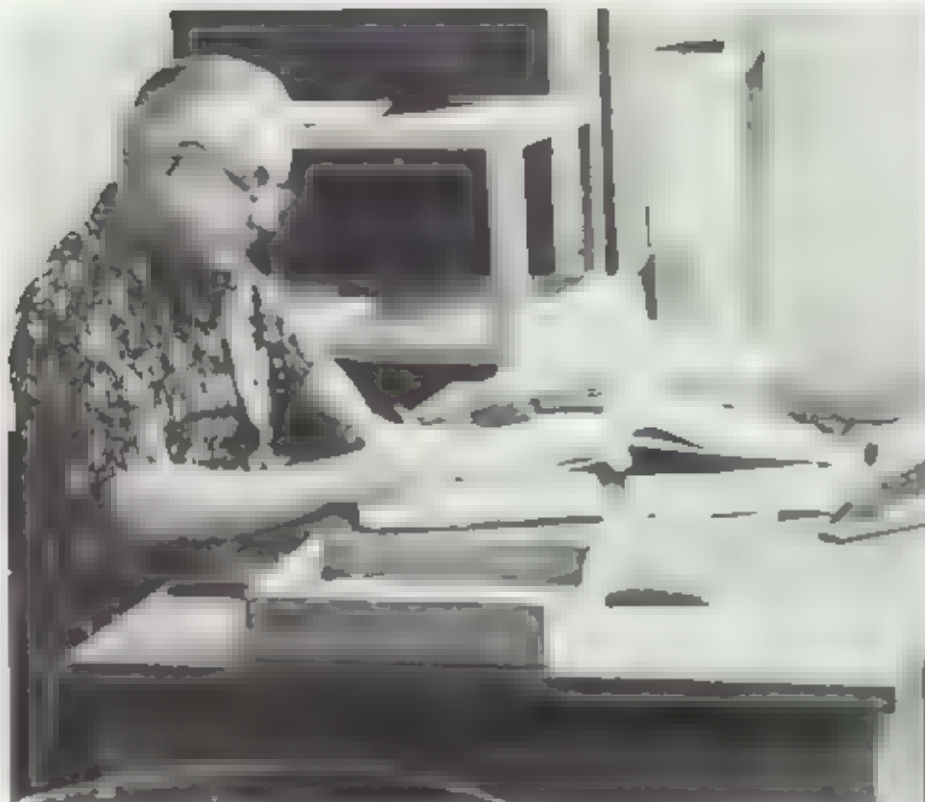
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Above: During the Fall Faculty Rally, the Samurai Warrior, also known as Mr. John Whitaker, chases Mr. Jim Thrasher and Mr. Herb Poddig across the stage, while Miss Sherry King, Miss Addie Patton, and Miss Marilyn Todd enjoy the fun

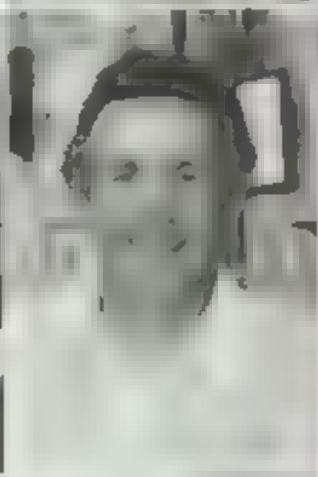




Right: While his students take a test, Mr. John McCaffery, the staff member who has been at MHS the longest (although I'm not the oldest, he hastens to add) catches up on his lesson plans

Mr. John McCaffery  
English, ESL  
BA, MA, MEd  
Teacher, MHS  
MHS since 1962

Mr. Harlan Elving  
Wood  
MA, BA, MEd  
Teacher, MHS  
Enjoyed carpentry work,  
building furniture  
at MHS since 1962



Mr. R. Lee Estabrook  
Migrant English  
Teacher

Resource Specialist  
BA, CSL, Chgo

Science  
BS

Language Lab, English  
BA, MA, MEd

Chairman, Art

Mr. R. Lee Estabrook

Mr. R. Lee Estabrook  
Government,  
American History

Ms. Meg  
English  
BA, MA, MEd  
American studies  
VTE teacher, speech

Spanish, PE  
Bilingual credential  
coach, Cross Country,

Special Education  
BA, MA, MEd  
NEA and CEC  
enjoys fishing, hunting,

PE, Math, and  
Language Lab

One on  
MTA Boat  
at MHS since 1962

Mrs. Denise H  
English and Math  
BA, CSL, San F



# Mary Baker

By Jeff Bradley

**S**he is a woman of many talents. Mary Baker is a dedicated teacher and a creative professional. She has been a part of the MHS community for many years, and her passion for education is evident in everything she does. Baker is currently a Co-Chairman of the Home Economics BA-CSC Sacramento Chapter. She is also a member of the National Home Economics Association (NHEA) and the National Association of Business and Home Economics (NABHE). Baker is a graduate of the University of California, Davis, where she earned her Bachelor's degree in Home Economics. She has been a member of the NHEA since 1985 and the NABHE since 1990. Baker is a past president of the NHEA Sacramento Chapter and a past president of the NABHE Sacramento Chapter. She is also a past president of the MHS Home Economics Department. Baker is a dedicated teacher and a creative professional. She has been a part of the MHS community for many years, and her passion for education is evident in everything she does.



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Upper Left: Known for her creativity in the classroom, Mrs. Mary Baker "acts out" an idea to her Masterpieces class. Above: English students Gabriel Gonzales, Manuel Chapa and Martina Vasquez listen attentively while Mrs. Baker explains a new assignment.

Mrs. Diana Holt  
Co-Chairman, Home  
Economics  
BA-CSC Sacramento  
Chapter  
at MHS since 1990



Mrs. Diana Holt  
Data Processing  
at MHS since 1990

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Mr. Arlen Holen  
Science  
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Panther Pride is strong among the students, faculty members, and all those who take part in MHS life. I too am proud to be a Panther! —Becky Ramirez



## Megan Gowans

by Jason Mahar

**M**egan Gowans, a graduate of Downey High, has been a teacher at MHS for the past year and a half. Ms. Gowans graduated from the Davis campus of the University of California, majoring in American history and American literature. Because of this combined major, Ms. Gowans has met the qualifications to teach both English and social science classes.

Before graduating from Downey in 1974, Ms. Gowans spent one summer attending school in Durham, England. She also chaperoned two student groups to Europe while attending UC Davis.

Ms. Gowans has taught numerous subjects at several different schools since coming to teach in Modesto. She started in 1978 at Mark Twain Junior High, teaching social science and English. She moved to Davis High a year later and began teaching advanced English classes. In 1981, she moved to La Loma Junior High and taught the same subjects as she had in her previous positions.

The big change came when, in March of 1982, Ms. Gowans started teaching students at Modesto High School. She teaches a variety of classes, including freshman English, language lab, and advanced English.

She also teaches the speech class, and coaching the speech team. Under Ms. Gowans' guidance, the speech team got off to a slow start, but once they became accustomed to the coaching routine, the team had an exemplary year.

Outside of school Ms. Gowans does a number of things to keep busy. Running almost every day, she commutes from thirty to thirty-six miles a week. She also does volunteer work at Family Planning Associates. This work includes medical assisting and counseling. Although she leads a very active life, Ms. Gowans finds time for each of her activities, and she is very best at every one.

"The best great being able to work with the students at MHS," said Ms. Gowans. "I'm thrilled to be a part of the teaching staff during the Centennial Year."



Left: Early in the fall, Ms. Megan Gowans talks to reporter Linda Laird from Channel 13 about her involvement with the GATE program.

Above: Ms. Gowans rises to explain debate procedures to her speech class.



Mrs. Dolores K. Lam  
Co-Chairman, Physical Education  
BA - CSU, Sacramento



Mr. M. J. ...  
Business  
BS - CSU, ...  
coach, football



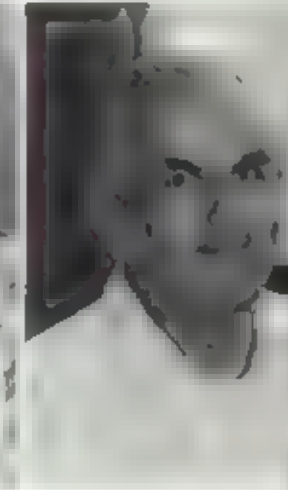
Math, Business  
A - CSU, Sacramento



Gymnastics, Language Lab



Mr. Marvin Lundquist  
World Geography  
BA - Western Washington



Mr. John McCaffery  
Business  
BS - U of San Francisco  
enjoys basketball, tennis, soccer, and hiking  
at MHS since 1985





World Geography and PE

League baseball, (Red Sox and Cards)  
Loves sports, gardening, family  
at MHS last year

Mr. Loren Nyman  
Agriculture

Math, PE

at MHS since 1979

Ms. Roxanna O'Brien  
Science and Math  
MA—UC Davis  
scorekeeper for girls basketball

new at MHS this

Social Science and Athletics

MA—Eastern Michigan U

Ms. Marge Ode  
Job Development Counselor  
AA—Oblone JC,  
Freemont  
member, American Bus. Women's Club

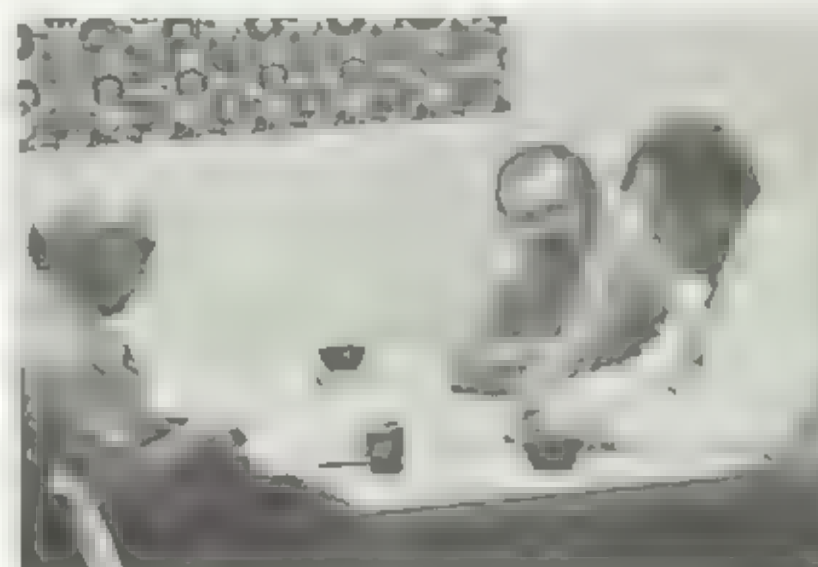
Mrs. Julie Newburn  
Resource Specialist  
BA—CSU—Ch

at MHS last

Mr. Rick Padera  
Orchestra  
BM—UC  
member

Below: Mr. Marty Boer demonstrates the manual dexterity test to his Career Planning class

Bottom: During their break, Mr. Vince Lane, Mr. John Miller and Mr. Marty Lundquist compare notes on how their classes are going.



Special Education  
at MHS since 1973

Co-Chairman Physical Education  
AB—UC Berkeley  
coach golf  
at MHS since 1957

English Newspaper  
member, CAIE, NCTE  
Broadcast  
at MHS since

English Social Science  
Spanish  
LD—UC of Havana, Cuba

Continuing Foreign  
Language French  
Clothing

Art Mechanics  
Dism

Below: At a Winter Rally Varsity Basketball Coach Wayne McGhee turns to answer a question.



Above: Chemistry teacher Arlen Holen explains proper lab technique to Aaron Lucero and Anthony Presto.

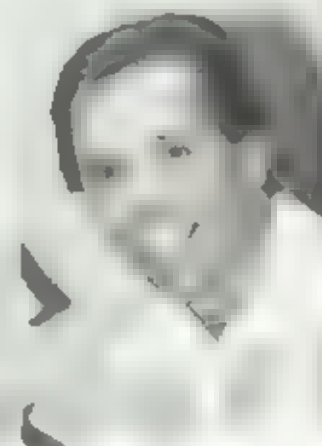
Chairman, Music

sponsor, Pep Band



Chairman, Social Science, Art, Hist.

honorary member, FFA



Chairman, Science



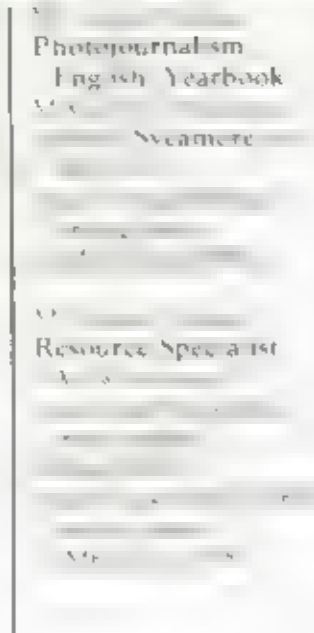
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Photojournalism English Yearbook

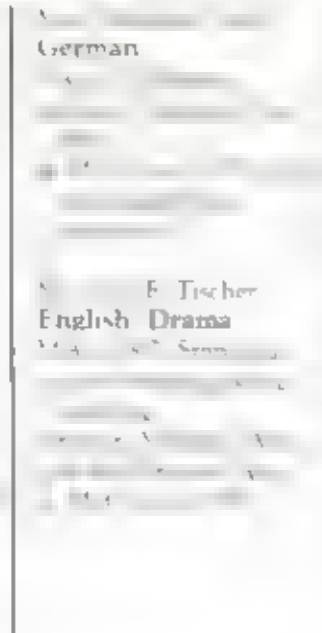
Sweatshirt

Resource Specialist



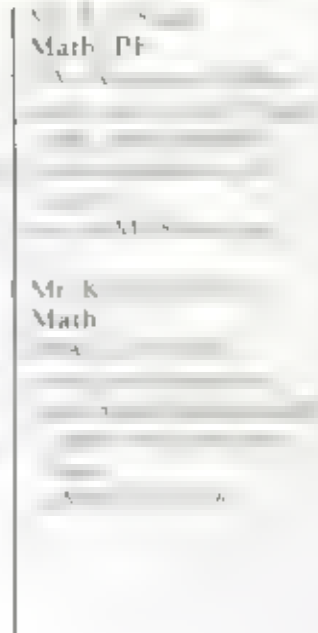
German

F. Fischer English Drama



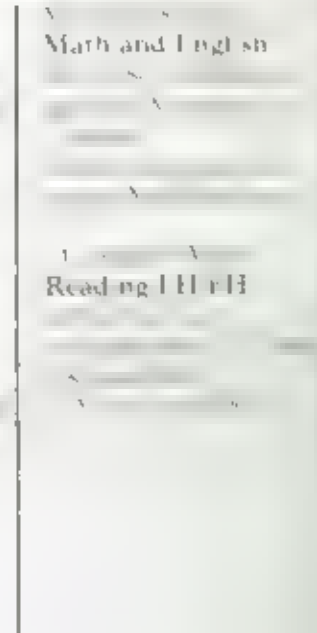
Math, PE

Mr. K Math



Math and English

Reading, H. H.







Below: Cafeteria Manager Pat Hildreth, along with Esther Grossman, Kitty Corda and Helen Calabrese, takes a well-earned break at the end of another busy day



## Small service staff shows Panther Pride

by Lori Howell

The first arrivals of the MHS Service Staff often began their day at 5:30 am, and for many it wouldn't be over till mid-afternoon, sometimes not until 5:00 pm or even later.

The willing attitude of the service staff, including clerks, librarians, cooks, custodians, secretaries and bus drivers who are always out handling their various jobs, big and little, is what keeps MHS running smoothly.

Driving rowdy kids to and from Modesto High everyday could get very monotonous for the bus drivers who recite the same refrain time after time: "Keep your bodies inside; don't leave your candy wrappers on the bus!" Despite occasional problems, the relationship between students and drivers is a well respected one.

"Cinnamon roll and a milk, please," was an oft-repeated phrase heard by the cafeteria crew. Serving the hundreds of students at either break or lunch kept them busy and on their toes.

Laboring hard every day, the custodians and student helpers were responsible for endless clean-up tasks. Keeping the campus tidy and efficient was a job made more difficult for them by further reductions in staff, but even so the custodians maintained all the essential services that kept Modesto High's campus looking great.

Instructional aides and secretaries continued to be a vital part of keeping the school running smoothly. Giving students extra help with studies of almost every nature, teacher's aides were greatly appreciated. Keeping the campus offices in order and the mountains of paperwork processed, the clerks and secretaries worked hard to prevent difficulties and help students solve their problems.

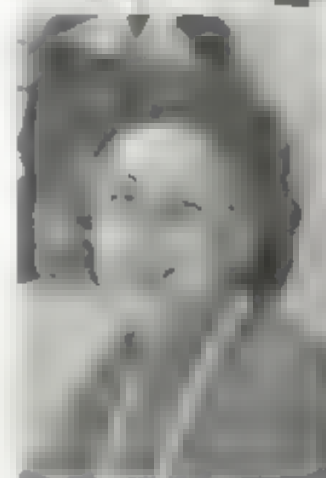
All service staff members contributed tremendously in assisting students every way they could. They set an excellent example of what togetherness, attitude, and Panther Pride is all about.

Chapter I Aide

Migrant Ed Aide

Edna Bolden  
Chapter I Aide

Irene Carranza  
Chapter I Aide



Phyllis Castleman  
English Department  
Secretary

Dean's Secretary

Mary Davis  
School Secretary

Albino Franco  
Migrant Ed Aide

Bookroom Clerk

Campus Supervisor

Chapter I Clerk

Library Clerk

Campus Supervisor

Chapter I Aide

Bookkeeper

Special Ed Aide



Typist Clerk

Special Ed Aide

Principal's Secretary

Counseling Office Secretary



Left: Nates, Leanne Gordon and Jess Garcia, more correctly called campus supervisors, discuss what problems they have encountered during the day.  
Upper Left: Busdriver Joe Barra prepares to greet the many students waiting to go home after a long school day.  
Upper Right: School secretary Mary Davis tries to find ways to shorten her work load.  
Above: Groundsmen Jim Stanton and Paul Van Houten make their clean-up rounds after another busy day.

Below, Bus Drivers, front row: Joe Silva, Millie Copp, Joe Ibarra, Lee Shelton back row: Ray Huckabay, Frank Morris, Nadine Phipps, Rowland Pickett, Greg Bates.



Therese McHale  
Special Ed Aide

Addie McMan  
Chapter I Aide

Beverly Miller  
Attendance Clerk

Christine Mott  
Special Ed Aide



Sandy Orqui  
Special Ed Aide

Helen Calabrese  
School Receptionist

Lucille Paul  
Records Clerk

Janet Pettigrew  
Computer Clerk



Upper Center Cafeteria Staff front row: Gloria Yorston, Linda Sharp, Annie Borrelli, Mary Carpenter, Catherine Corda, Lena Walker back row: Polly Morrison, Lupe Perea, Wanda Skages, Thelma Cases, Barbara Zalaco, Esther Grossman, Patsy Hildreth, Kathryn Avants, Patricia Bowman, Rachel

Iobe, Helen Calabrese Dorothy Trammell Above, Custodial Staff, front row: James Brown, Mark Fletcher, James Banks, Ricardo Gaczon, second row: Bill Fox, Mel Sprinkle, George Rojas back row: Gary Lugman, Jim Stanton, Leon Imbert, Kim Mason, Paul Van Houter



van Reden  
Migrant Ed Aide

Carmen Rodriguez  
Chapter I Aide

Special Ed Aide

Truancy Clerk



## Elaine Hoover

by Philip Henry

**B**een an MHS staff member for 15 years, Elaine Hoover has been coming to Modesto High as a substitute for several weeks. Mrs. Hoover decided to stay and has been

Before coming to MHS, Mrs. Hoover was a teacher at the Yosemite Valley High School in Chaton, California. She was also a teacher at Modesto High, and Modesto College graduate, and has been in business for 15 years.

A bookkeeper for MHS, Mrs. Hoover keeps track of all the income and expenditures for all of the MHS departments and offices. She also keeps track of the student accounts, along with a few separate accounts such as Industrial Education and FFA. To go along with all of the bookkeeping, Mrs. Hoover images all records on individual students, pro



of what  
ems that occur in purchasing

Mrs. Hoover is a decorated contractor who has built many houses for sale.

After 15 years of hard work, Mrs. Hoover will retire at the end of the year. "It will be difficult to leave; the people are so friendly and helpful," she commented. "I will get lost for a while after I retire," she added. Going back to



in her garden, canning, and redecorating her house are just a few activities on her list. If possible, she would like to be involved with a singing group. She performs for people in rest homes. She feels the elderly are too often forgotten. Mrs. Hoover's hard work will long be remembered by the MHS faculty and student body, and regarded as an example of outstanding dedication.



Above: Bookkeeper Mrs. Elaine Hoover checks and balances the accounts for proper and correct record keeping.

Upper Right: Mrs. Hoover counts the money that came in from a recent candy sale, so that it may be credited to the club's account.

Chapter I Aide

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Assistant

Chapter I Aide

In coming to Modesto High I've encountered great excitement, discovery, and a great amount of spirit  
—Esteban Martinez



Right: During a basketball rally, senior class members Randy Dill, Brian Nevitt, Marcos Madrid, Frank Cardoso, Christine Dhanis, Jessie Toste, Jerry Dias, Valarie Stafford, Beth Moore, Rhonda Howser, Debbie Denlinger, Steve Bryant, Erin Wray, Gabriel Pacheco, Chris Mihelis, Carmen Ramirez, Maria Dominguez, Dave Hodges and Jean Hartford show their spirit for the Pep-O-Meter.  
Below: During lunch Hector Lara looks at pictures of a recent assembly.



Above: Debbie Denlinger listens to Becky Pettit's explanation of senior announcements.  
Upper Center: Using their break time wisely, Phyllis Mercer, Dalinda Angelo and Joanne Potts finish their homework.  
Right: At a senior class meeting, Arnie Corbin, Jackie Langerman, Nirmala Ram, Linda Gunter, Debbie Keeton, Veronica Vasquez, Leanda Gunter, Penny Grace, Sheryl Hardenbrook, Rena Barnhill, Erin Wray, David Hodges and Kim Haaburg listen to plans for the senior trip.







Marilyn Wolf  
4.000  
Julie Westwood  
3.789

Doreen Jenkins  
3.865  
Jeremy Shuman  
3.767

## Hall of Fame Honors Academic Excellence

by Susie Beckwith

Constantly studying, attending every class without fail, and having an all-around devotion to school were the necessary ingredients in achieving outstanding GPA's. These are all characteristics of the senior students with a steady seat on the honor roll for eight strenuous semesters. One member of the class '83, Marilyn Wolf, achieved a perfect GPA.

During their high school careers, these students gave up time from their social lives and extra-curricular activities for many hours of studying and preparing for challenging exams. By the end of their senior year, all of this work paid off in scholarships and awards, ranging from \$100 to \$1,000, for these college-bound students. Many students received grants, while others won scholar-

ships from such organizations as the Elk's Club and Bank of America.

With their high school careers at an end, these bright young people will journey off to various academic institutions. These students come from far away, out-

of California or the California State College system. Most, however, will begin their higher education at Modesto Junior College.

These top 15 students showed that Modesto High is a great place to further academic achievement and produce outstanding citizens that will continue to better our community.



Above and Right: Carmen Ramirez, Patricia Trujillo, Juliet Costa, Dalinda Angelo, Joanne Potts and Pam McClure examine portraits at The Studio while waiting for their pictures to be taken.



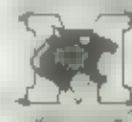
Pam McClure  
3.619

Sandi Grover  
3.583

Bruno Spani  
3.571

Jane Corrales  
3.692  
Dalinda Angelo  
3.568

Dennis Wend  
3.636  
Juliet Costa  
3.550



Patricia Trujillo  
3.811  
Carmen Ramirez  
3.757



## Dennis Wend

by Sabrina Ferris



To be an outstanding academic student, active in extracurricular activities and also excel in almost every sport in which one participates is quite an achievement for any high school student. For Dennis Wend, hard work and consistent dedication contributed to his success at all three activities throughout his high school career.

As a freshman at MHS, Dennis quickly found himself involved in many activities, especially sports. As an all-around athlete, he played basketball, football, and baseball during all four years of high school, easily earning his Block M when he was a sophomore.

During every football season while in high school, Dennis held down the quarterback position. As a freshman, he played sophomore

advanced to the varsity team in baseball. "I like basketball the best,"

...tion that almost always brings fast action."

Dennis was a pitcher-outfielder on the league-champion 1982 Varsity Baseball Team, and has earned for himself four slots in the MHS single-season record books, in leading the most runs and the lowest ERA.

In his last year at Modesto High, Dennis, playing basketball, contributed to the Varsity Basketball Team's winning streak

that led to the Northern California Championship play-offs. In recognition of his efforts and victories, Dennis was chosen Outstanding Prep Athlete of the Year at the annual SOS banquet held on February

Dennis thanks his parents and coaches for their support throughout the years, starting when he was seven, when he received his first award in Rookie League baseball.

Although sports play a major role in his life, he's no slouch as an academic student, either. Maintaining a 3.6 GPA throughout high school took countless hours of study time. Despite his heavy athletic schedule, Dennis always managed to organize his time to keep his academic progress running smoothly.

In the future Dennis plans to attend MJC and then transfer to a good four-year college. He hopes to pursue a baseball career as far as possible, while majoring in physical therapy. Either way, he'll be working with people, which is what he likes best.



Left: Dennis Wend proudly displays some of his 65 trophies and plaques received from various sports activities.

Below: As varsity quarterback for two consecutive years, Dennis makes another successful touchdown attempt.

Lower Left: Playing his favorite sport, Dennis steps in for a good hit.



Joanne Potts  
3.632  
Marvin Davis  
3.514

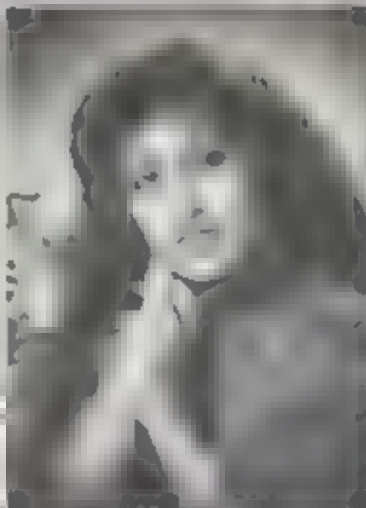
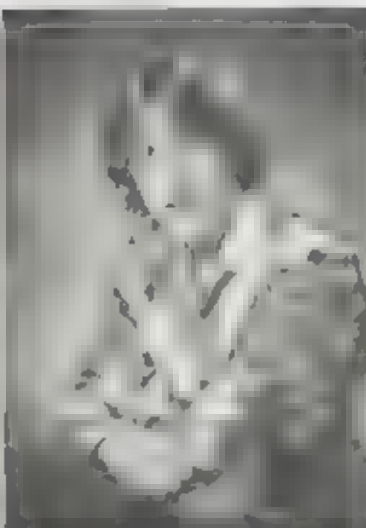
David Absher  
Maribel Alberto

Jeri Adkins  
Chris Aldana

Scott Adkins  
Tony Angel

Jessica Aguilar  
Dalinda Angelo

Denise Aguirre  
Bo Annvik



Angie Arebalo  
Janet Ball

Anna Arrizon  
Gregory Barnes

Alma Astorga  
Rena Barnhill

Ruben Astorga  
Troy Barnhill

Virgil Augsburg  
Oscar Bland



Portirio Aguirre  
Gary Archer



Maria Avalos  
Craig Boday

## 4 Years at End for Class of '83

by Jeff Bradley

and Debbie Hamilton

The year was 1979, and entering Modesto High for the first time, members of the Class of '83 felt an insignificant part of Panther life. With the school in a turmoil, looking to the teachers' strike in March, the freshmen had their doubts about Modesto High. As the year progressed, however, the freshmen became more at ease with themselves and the upperclassmen.

During the school year, high school students' participation prevailed and organizing was at

least. Due to the teachers' strike, the Class of '83 was unable to host the traditional "Hearts and Lace" Dance in February. They had to wait until the following year. As sophomores, however, the members of the Class of '83 emerged as leaders in sports, and in other extra curricular activities.

Coming back from the summer, the Class of '83 was determined to make a difference in the school.

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participation in organizing the Prom was minimal. Those who did help worked hard to make the Prom a success.

managed to pay the trade for the Prom of 1982 by producing a successful Prom, with the theme "Through the Years."

The Class of '83



Left: A group of students, including Bryant, ponder the class activities.

Second Left: Joe Mendonca, David Absher, David Zehnder, Marcos Madrid, Gary Cooner and John Van Oostende compete for the Pep-O-Meter.

Upper Left: Kim Johnson and Phil Cearly check the Ree for facts while Melinda Simpson looks for the sports section.

Top: Large crowd at the Prom is the Class of '83.

Above: Kim Kanar, Jeremy Shuman and David Snyder begin an assignment in Masterpieces.



Janet Borba  
Debra Bowling



Randy Bowman  
Carol Boyd

## Senior Tradition: Look to Past

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Senior Tradition: Look to Past

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Above: Janet Borba, Debra Bowling, Randy Bowman, Carol Boyd, and other seniors. Upper Right: A group of seniors. Right: A group of seniors. Center Right: A group of seniors. Lower Right: A group of seniors.



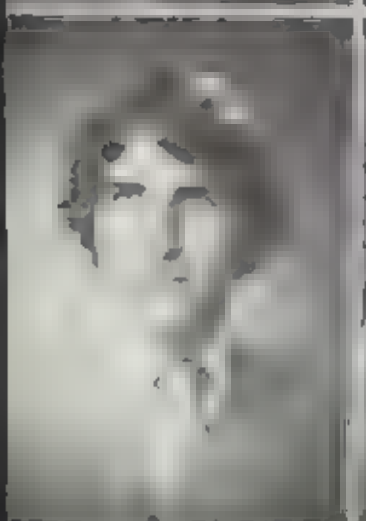
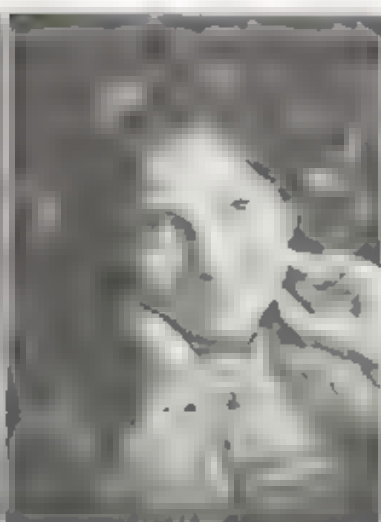
Rick Boyd  
Steve Bryant

Jeff Bradley  
Brenda Burgoin

Victorina Brambila  
Valerie Butler

Bryan Brooks  
Guy Caldwell

Juanita Garza Brunetti  
Karen Campbell



Monique Cannon  
Bruce Chancellor

Fidella Cano  
Debbie Charron

Frank Cardoso  
Marcella Chaves

Lucy Carrillo  
Raymond Chavez

Scott Carter  
Silvia Chavez



Being a Panther is really great this year. No other school can brag about being around for 100 years  
—Connie Dias

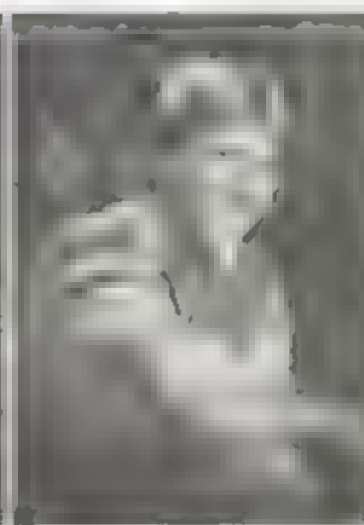


Betina Christensen  
Jane Corrales

Gary Coonce  
Janet Costa

Arney Corbin  
Juliet Costa

Rodney Corgiat  
Karen Costa



Steve Cox  
Sherie Cuevas

Michelle Crabtree  
Brian Curtis

Jeff Creighton  
John Davies

Albert Crocker  
Marvin Davis



Above: With comb and scissors in hand Anna Arrizon demonstrates how to feather someone's hair.  
Upper Center: In her ROP class Anna improves her hair cutting techniques with a customer.  
Center Right: Anna rolls hair into a curler to a permanent.  
Right: Helping customer decide what kind of hair style would accent her face is an important part of Anna's schooling.





# Anna Arrizon

by Janice King

Starting cosmetology in September, 1982, Anna Arrizon attends school until noon each day, then leaves for her ROP class at Adrien's Beauty Col



There will when hands will machines or cut of cutting hair exist." Not only does learn techniques of styling hair, but taught how to give manicures, facials, and make

When Anna first began, she trained in a class During practiced on a permanent trims, and then began ing on the other students. After completing the required time she was promoted to the floor to work with real people. Anna "At first it was kind of getting used to it, but after a while, it was great

In order for anyone to graduate from beauty college, 1600 "hand hours" (that is, the actual time spent working with customers) are required passing grade on a which takes two days Francisco

Although the only receives has worked hard to get through looks forward to the course four years to be accepted, and I'm not dropping out now."

Richard Dedrick  
Eric Denison

Ismael De la Rosa  
Debbie Denlinger



Christine Dhanis  
Joe Dias

Jerry Dias  
Lisa Dickson



## Juanita Green

by Connie Mas

**W**hat sport takes a strong sense of adventure, an even stronger sense of humor and not being afraid of getting dirty? How about mud wrestling!

Senior Juanita Green is a lady mud wrestler at the Chevenne Social Club. She has worked there for several months, but usually only on weekends. When asked if she likes it, she laughs and launches into a discussion of one or another of the funny incidents which have happened to her.

Her uncle is the one who gave her the idea to do it. He had gone to the club and had seen the mud wrestling matches. "He told me that I should go into it but at the time I only laughed," recalls Juanita. Then she saw an ad in the paper asking for wrestlers, and she decided she'd give it a try.



Above: In a daytime practice session, Lady mudwrestler Juanita Green tries to drag her opponent down to the mud.  
Right: Juanita tries to get her opponent off balance.  
Second Right: Juanita (Magnum) gets him down!  
Upper Right: And the winner is . . . Juanita Green!

She went in for an interview and was hired.

There are seven regular girl wrestlers. Each wrestles three or four times a night depending on the number of challenges from the audience. Matches consist of three two-minute rounds with a minute of rest in between.

The wrestling matches are held in a 6-foot square pit in the middle of the dance floor filled with 1½ inches of mud. The "mud" they use is actually a mixture of powderish clay, foam, water and baby powder. "What I hate about it is that it's hard to get the

stuff out of your hair," commented Juanita.

The girls have to carry their own insurance and sign a waiver stating that the club is not responsible for their injuries. Although no one is supposed to get hurt, accidents sometimes do occur. Juanita had to wear a neckbrace for 2½ weeks because of the way she threw a 350 pound opponent.

Juanita hopes to continue wrestling because she really enjoys it. "I love it because it's so much fun. Especially my last match because it was a free-for-all and everyone got thrown in the pit," stated Juanita.



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Gwen Elder



Alma Figueroa  
Mark Gacayan



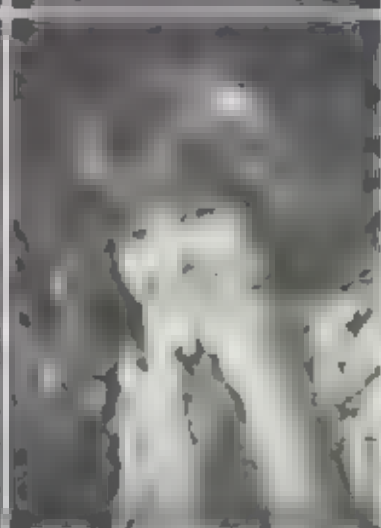
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**Eli Espino**

**Laura Dunnihoo**  
**Richard Ferrell**



**Ronelle Foust**  
**Darin Gharat**

**Lydia Franco**  
**Rickey Gonzales**

**Kellie Freeman**  
**Sophia Gonzales**

**Terri Froman**  
**Doug Grace**

**James Fulton**  
**Penny Grace**



*I am proud to be a part of a traditionally Spirit-filled school.*  
—Ron Dixon

Shirley Grogan  
Kim Haarberg

Diane Grove  
John Hallford

Sandi Grover  
Sheryl Hardenbrook

Leanda Gunter  
Sergio Harrison

Joe Gutierrez  
James Henry



Phillip Henry  
Craig Holley

Teresa Hernandez  
Jess Holmes

Eddie Hiatt  
Rhonda Howser

Jackie Hill  
Dawn Hudson

David Hodges  
Richard Imfeld



# Juliet Costa

by Stephanie Frasier



Such is with prizes at all of these places, first prize trophies, ribbons, patches, rosettes and belt buckles as well as the traditional "largest"

After starting her membership with the California State Horseman's Association, Juliet began participating in parades in the Modesto Valley, Modesto and eventually won the Big Four Championship Belt Buckle after eight years of membership.

Juliet began riding horses when she was three, under the instruction of her uncle who has now been riding in

parades for over fifty years. She started showing in parades at the age of ten. "It was a hobby at first but now I really enjoy it," she says. Following the parade she attends an awards banquet where the judges are seated in the center aisle and the winners are called out by name. "I've won a lot of awards," she says.

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Doreen Jenkins



Kim Johnson  
Jason Kanar



Upper Left: Smiling proudly Juliet Costa displays the reward of her hard work.  
Above: About to begin another workout, Juliet leads her horse Penny to the arena.

Left: Returning from a ride, Juliet stops for a rest.  
Center Left: A few of the trophies she has won surround Juliet in her front room.



Debbie Keeton  
Rhonda Lackey

Bill Knowlden  
Barbara Lamance



Jackie Langerman  
Anthony Lee

Jennifer Laran  
Harrison Lee



## Gary Coonce

by Dalinda Angelo



Among the best bakers in the area are men, and he hopes someday to be one of them. Gary Coonce, a senior at Old Ivy High School, has been baking about a year and a half. He is a member of the Old Ivy High School and Old Ivy Junior High School. He has earned him a reputation for being a good baker. He has baked many cakes, breads, pastries, and bread from scratch.

Gary works five days a week and has a job experience 6th and 7th grade school day. When asked how he felt about his job, he said, "It's pretty good. I like to work, but I don't like the name."

Gary says every day is a new one for him, working from 10:00 to 6:00. His first job was when he gets there by mixing the dough so it has time to loosen up. While the dough is rising, he gets the

pans and tools set out and checks the other ingredients he will need. When the dough is ready, Gary cuts it into pieces and makes several different kinds of Danish from it (the recipes are, of course, secret).

After graduation Gary plans to work full time rather than attending college. His goal in life is to save enough money to eventually buy a ranch to raise cattle and horses.

Although Gary gets plenty of teasing about baking, he never lets it bother him because he feels that he's been able to get a better than usual start toward achieving his goals.





Second left: Gary Doonce wields a rolling pin like a pro.  
 Left: Gary watches the scale to make sure he has just the right amount of dough.  
 Upper Center: Gary cuts the dough into perfect 10-ounce pieces.  
 Upper Right: The dough is stored in a walk-in refrigerator.

Crystal Lindsay  
Tony Louis



Rockanna Long  
Jovita Madrigal



Francisco Lopez  
Luis Madrigal



Maria Lopez  
Marlaine Magnus



Alfredo Martinez  
Pam McCure

Joel Martinez  
Cant McCullough

John R. Martinez  
Troy McCutcheon

Sheri McClung  
Leah McDaniel



I'm proud to be a student at MHS because I'm a third generation Panther!  
 —Jacv Lee

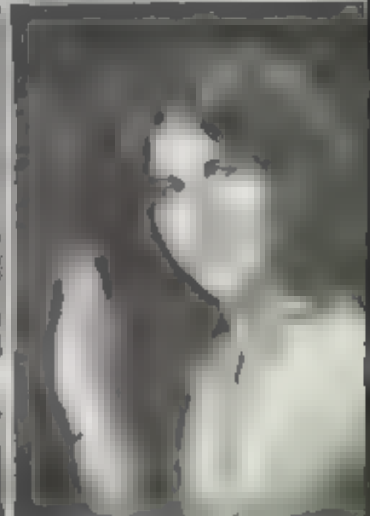
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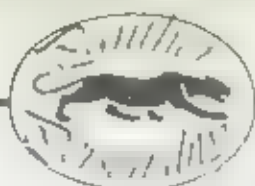
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Patty Morgan  
Tamera Noffsinger



Joe Mendonza  
James Mitts  
Alanna Moses



## Foreign Exchange

By Debbie Bowling

**T**he first impression of Christine Dhanise, a young woman from Norway, is that of a friendly, outgoing person. She is a member of the AFS club and has been in the United States for a few months. Dhanise became very attracted to the country and its people. She has made many friends and is enjoying her time in the U.S. as much as she can. She has been to Belgium and has been to the U.S. as a member of the AFS club. She has been to the U.S. as a member of the AFS club. She has been to the U.S. as a member of the AFS club.

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Left: Bo Annvik and teammate Carlos Peral move in on the ball at a soccer game  
Second Left: Christine Dhanise and Bo spend much of their time in the library  
Upper Left: Masterpieces teacher Mary Baker listens as Christine speaks to the class  
Upper Center: Bo works hard at the golf course  
Above: Christine executes a one-legged balance on the beam in gymnastics

Fred Nomelli  
Bobby Norton



Sandra Ortega  
Alma Ortiz



## Student 'Cops'

by Jason Kanar

**M**ore than just a hobby, for some students, being a Sheriff's Explorer is a way of life. It's a chance to get more knowledge about law enforcement and to see what I really wanted."

same except that she carries a night stick, and a mace.

Rena stated, "I want to be a Sheriff's Explorer. It's a chance to get more knowledge about law enforcement and to see what I really wanted."

Greg Valdez is also interested in law enforcement. Although he just started as a Sheriff Explorer in January, he's finding it very exciting. One thing Greg does that is different

from Rena's assignments is working in the County Jail, because the Sheriff's Department runs the jail. Greg's responsibilities include fingerprinting and photographing the prisoners that are ready for internment.

Greg also rides on patrol with deputies and carries out a deputy's responsibilities. He wears a standard deputy's uniform, but, with Rena, he gets no gun, nightstick, or mace.

Greg likes everything about being a deputy and plans to be one somewhere in California in the future. He says, "It makes me feel pretty good when the criminals are put away."



Above: Rena Barnhill writes up" Jason Kanar for "running" a red light.

Upper Right: After breaking a vehicle code Joe Galardo is "ticketed" by Rena.

Right: Greg Valdez exhibits the full uniform from the Sheriff's Department.

Right Center: Rena prepares to put the cuffs on "prisoner" Ron Dixon.

Lower Right: Greg explains the intricacies of police work to Sheryl Hardenbrook.



Bernita Ott  
LeeAnn Perry

Steve Patton  
Rebecca Petty

Paula Peeper  
Cynthia Pollard

Beatriz Peral  
Joanne Potts

Sandra Perez  
Victoria Quintana



Rosa Quintero  
Lisa Randolph

Norma Ram  
Diane Ranuio

Carmen Ramirez  
Gregg Reim

Christina Ramos  
Lisa Rhea

Susie Ramos  
Scott Ribeiro



Students have always played an important part of MHS life, for we all know that without them, there would be no MHS. I am proud to be a part of it all!  
—Sean Wani





## Marvin Davis

By Paula Peepel

Imagine the thrill of outdistancing your opponents in a race and winning First Prize. Now imagine that instead of running you are riding a bicycle. Marvin Davis, a 17 year old senior, started BMX racing when he was 13. Since then, he has won over 100 trophies and awards.

Marvin first considered racing when his cousin Roy Mims (who also competes), took him to watch a race. After that visit, Marvin became very enthused over the prospect of racing, and after his first race, it seemed no one could stop him.

"There is nothing like racing," states Marvin. "You know that the outcome of the competition depends upon your skill and physical endurance." Marvin's enthusiasm and

dedication to racing has already paid off. Twice Marvin was included in this District's UBR (United Bicycle Racing) and

he was also chosen as one of the top 20 of the ABA (American Bicycle Association).

Marvin has three bikes that he uses for racing. One of the bicycles was provided for him when he raced for D & H Cycles—OTP. He

also has a bike that he uses to practice on, and a 16" bike that he races on occasionally.

Not surprisingly, Marvin says that he gets the most from racing when he rides into the winner's circle, which is nice for anyone. "Receiving big trophies, many awards, and hearing my name ringing out over the loudspeaker," says Marvin. "will keep me racing as long I can."

Michelle Riebe  
Donna Rowland  
Jeremy Shuman



Above: Marvin Davis and his favorite dirt bike see plenty of action.

Upper Center: Marvin is airborne as he jumps a small hill during a run.

Right: The key to winning a race is getting off to a good start; Marvin practices every chance he can get.

Second Right: Marvin shows off his many trophies received from BMX racing.



Estela Rodriguez  
Brett Sather

Lisa Rodriguez  
Gordon Schoonover

Mike Rodriguez  
Robert Selvage

Vernon Roman  
Frederick Sharp

Steve Rosenow  
Caroline Shaw



Melinda Simpson  
Joey Stowers

David Snyder  
Jerry Taylor

Bruno Spani  
Vera Thomas

Debbie Sperry  
Connie Travao

Valerie Stafford  
Patricia Trujillo



It has been interesting to be so directly involved in  
all the excitement generated by the many Centen-  
nial activities.  
—Kathy Overgaard

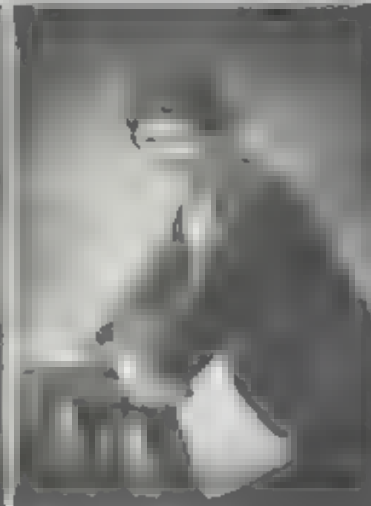
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Hector Villapudua



Tommy Warren  
Clarence Willett

Dennis Wend  
Jeff Wilson

Mike Wenzel  
Lee Wise

Julie Westwood  
Marilyn Wolf

Debbie Whitworth  
Erin Wray







**Regina S. Vanderburg**

by Rhonda Aldrich

**S**inging and playing the piano has been the favorite activity for Regina Vandenberg since she was 4 years old. She started to sing when she was 2 years old. Regina loves to sing and perform in front of an audience, a quality that has been passed down from other family members. She has been singing all of her life, but starting performing

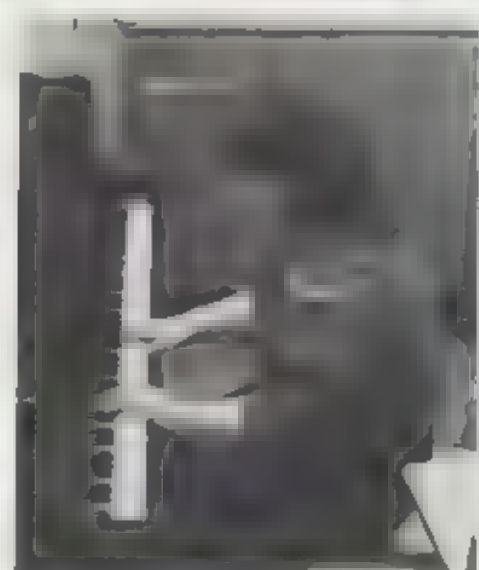
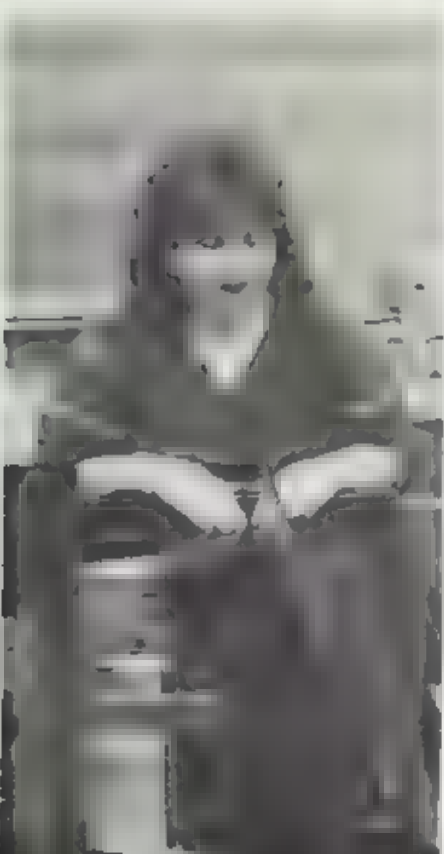
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I have been thinking  
 of you for a long time  
 and wondering how you  
 are getting on. I hope  
 you are well and happy.  
 I have been very busy  
 lately, but I will write  
 to you again soon.  
 Love,  
 Mary

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In the future, Kato  
has no further married  
relationships. Her  
dream is to someday get  
married and have a  
family. She must first  
finish her education and  
find a job. She must  
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friend who can help her  
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# Outstanding Seniors Chosen by Faculty

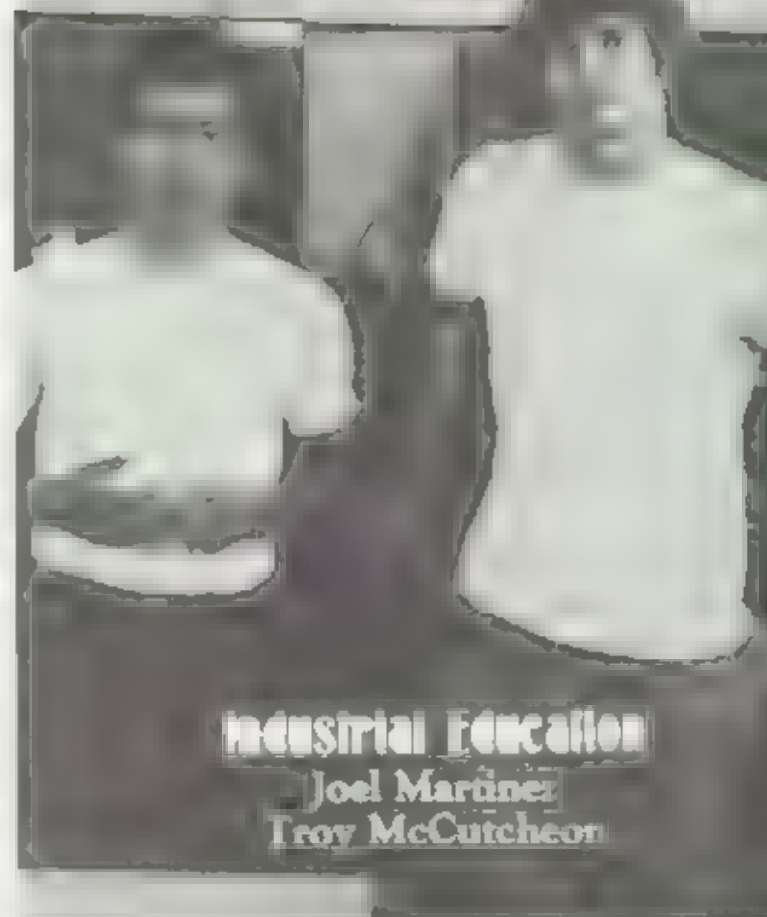
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**B**efore the faculty meeting to select the outstanding seniors, the faculty members were informed that the school had been selected as one of the top 100 schools in the state. This was a great honor for the school and the faculty members. The faculty members were also informed that the school had been selected as one of the top 100 schools in the state. This was a great honor for the school and the faculty members.

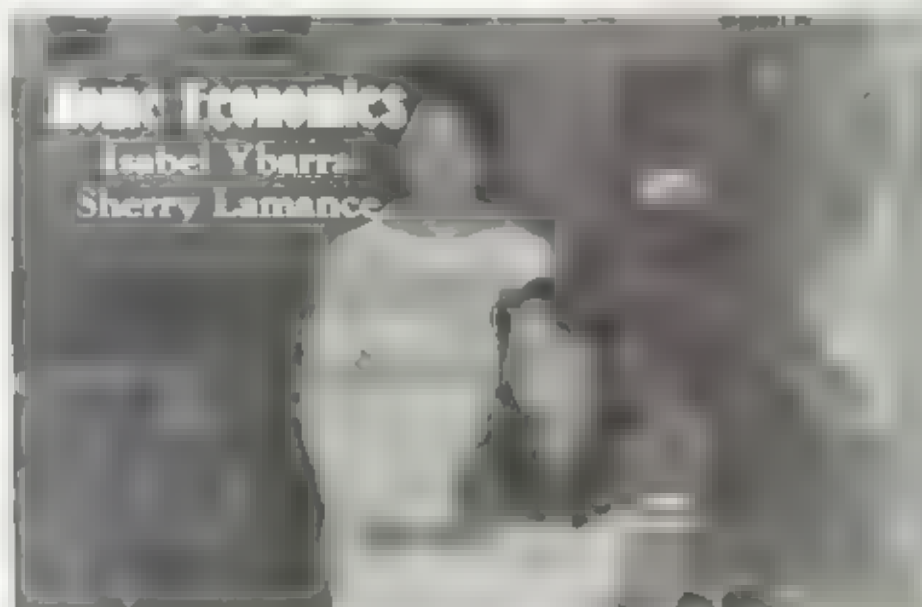
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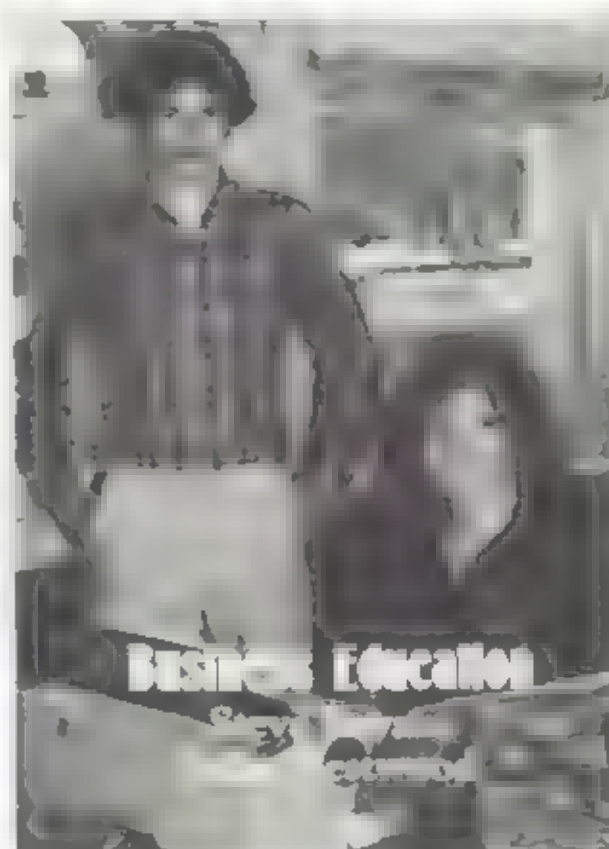
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**Home Economics**  
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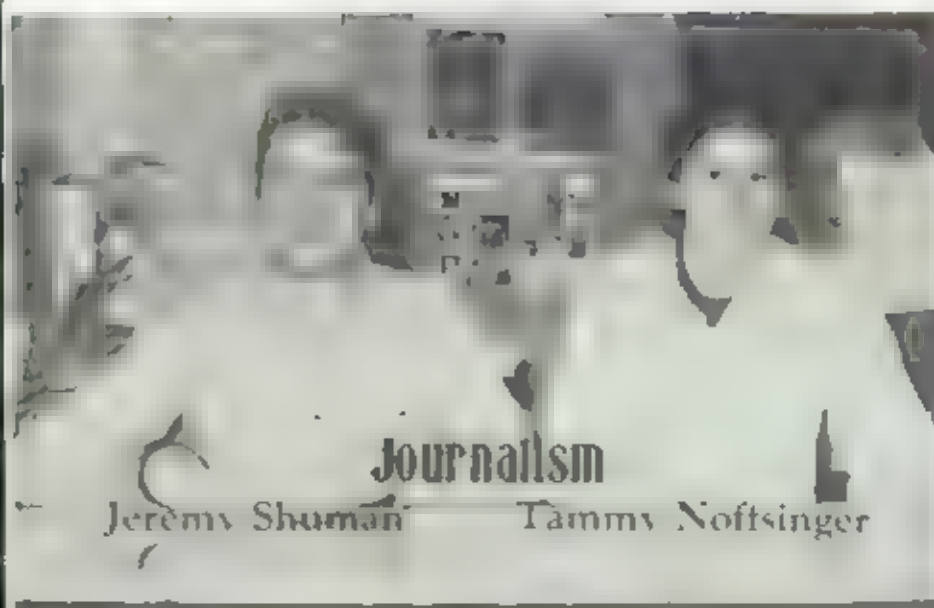


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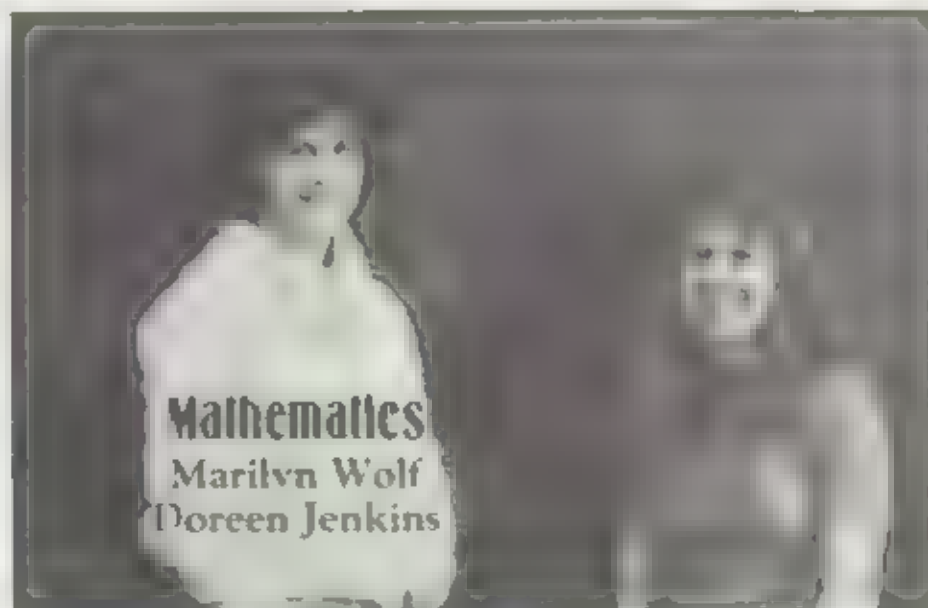
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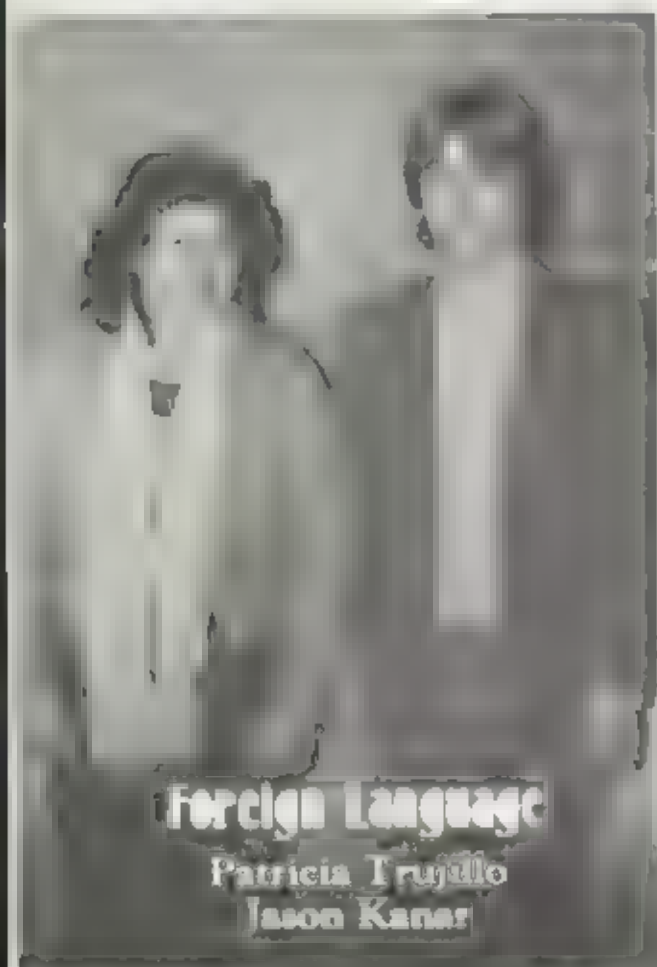
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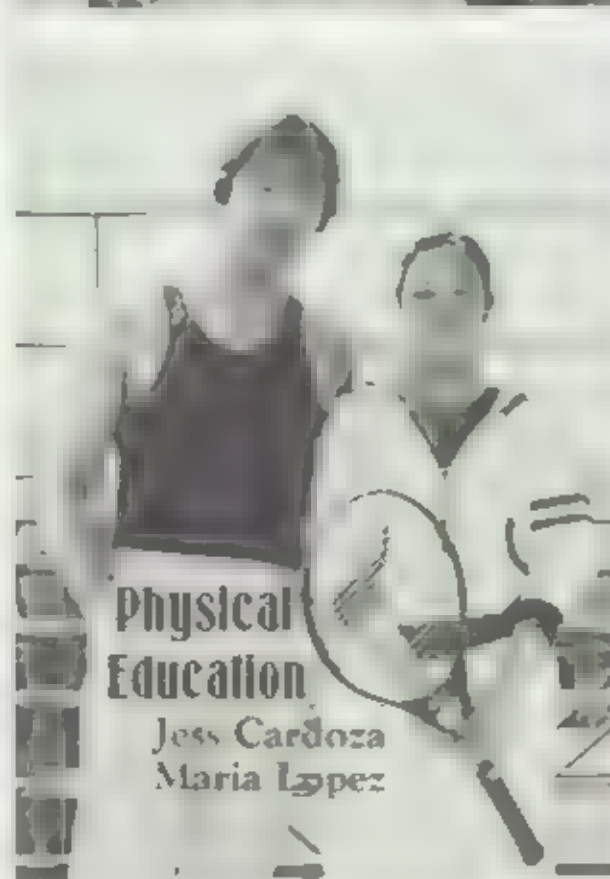
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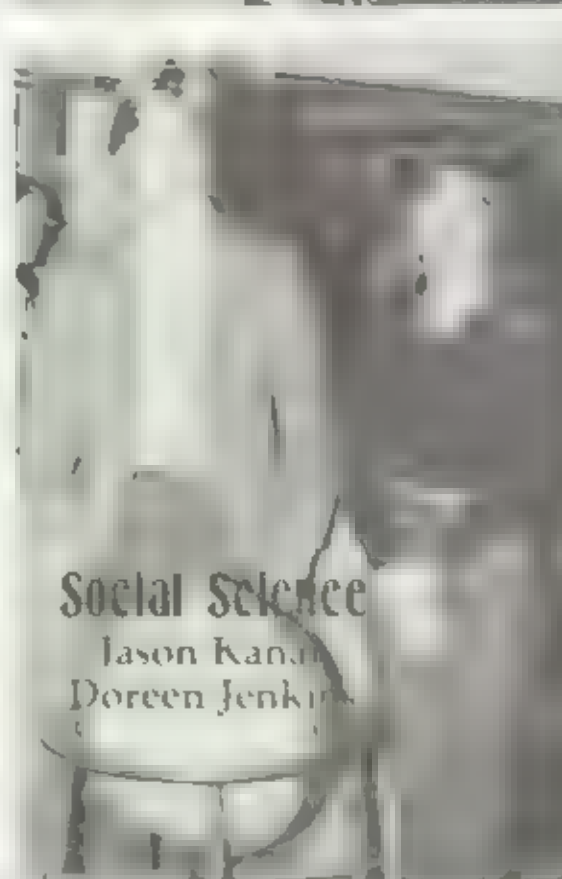
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Regina Vanderburg  
Ray Chavez



### Physical Education

Jess Cardoza  
Maria Lopez



### Social Science

Jason Kanar  
Doreen Jenkins



# Who's Who for Class of 1983

by Jeremy Shuman, David Snyder  
and Sandra Grover



**Sol P. Elias**

A member of the first class to graduate from Modesto High School, Sol P. Elias is a well-known figure in the community. He has been considered the authority in this area and his work has been valuable since its inception. He has been a member of the Stanislaus County Board of Supervisors and has been a member of the Modesto City Council.

For the first time, the Yearbook includes a section on the students who show the most promise. It is a list of students with such alumni as the faculty members and 11 seniors whom they have recognized for outstanding qualities of maturity, academic achievement, extra-curricular activities, and community involvement.



**Dalinda Angelo**



**Jane Corrales**



**Marilyn Wolf**

**Dalinda Angelo**

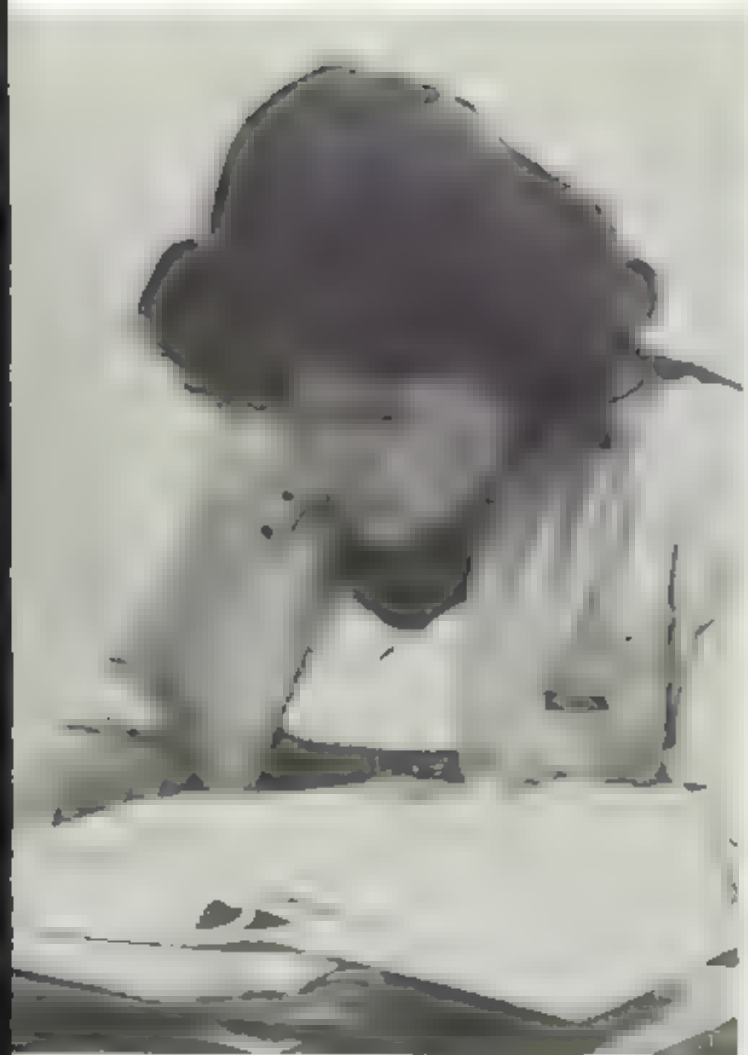
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**Jane Corrales**

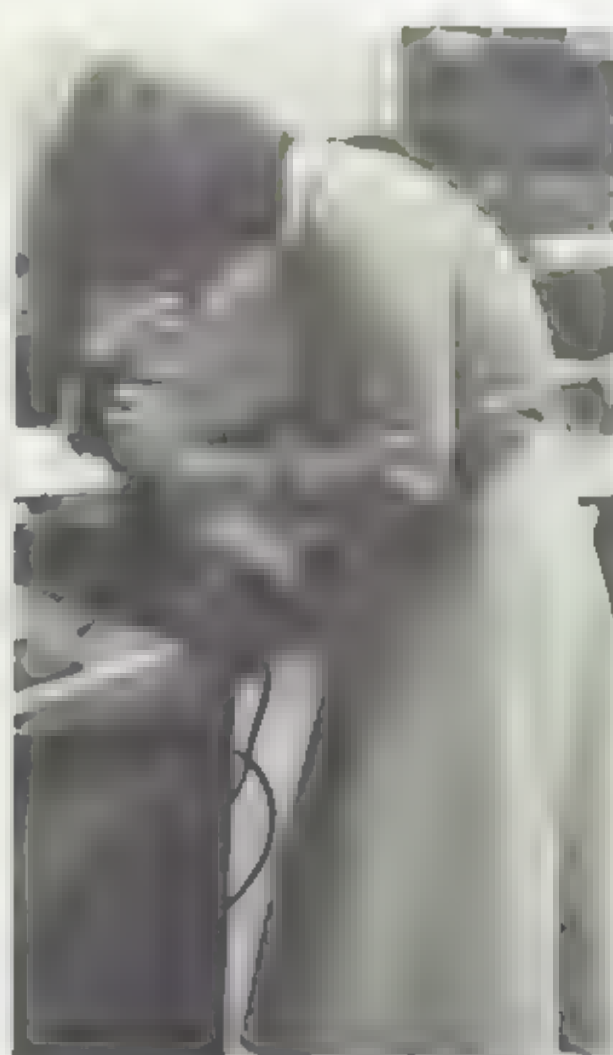
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Tammy Noffinger



Dennis Wend



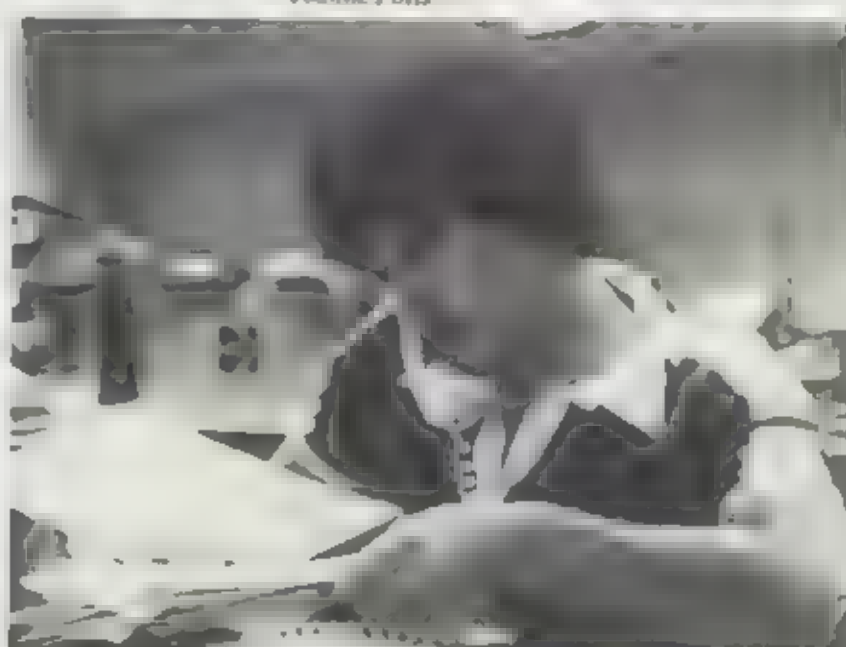
Joanne Potts



John Potts



Doreen Jenkins



John Hallford

### John Hallford

### Doreen Jenkins

This has been an extremely busy year for me but also an exciting one. Community involvement has been unbelievable. Because of this, I have met many leaders of the community that I may not have known otherwise.

—Marcy Matson



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## Tammy Wolfinger

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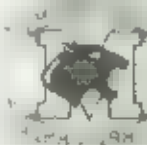
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**I am proud to be a Panther because they symbolize the Pride and Spirit of Modesto High'**

—Gary Coonce







John Hartnett



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Patricia Truplo

Marilyn Wolf

John Hartnett

Ofelia Aguilar  
Adela Alvarez  
Michael Baker

Miguel Aguirre  
Brian Anderson  
Irene Baldez

Victor Aguirre  
Lonnie Anderson  
Kathy Ball

Lucas Alberto  
Tina Anderson  
James Banks

Maria Alberto  
Lisa Andrews  
Fidel Barraza

Olga Alberto  
Leslie Anglim  
Susie Beckwith

Yolanda Alberto  
Tomas Arias  
Chris Bell

Rhonda Albright  
Michelle Ausema  
Trent Bellow



Robert Berry  
Dennis Brophy  
Troy Campbell  
Jeanette Clancy

Tracy Binion  
James Brown  
Johnny Carrillo  
Angela Clark

Marty Black  
Richard Brunetti  
Manuel Carrillo  
Bernadette Coito

Ron Boggs  
Jackie Brvant  
Patricia Carter  
Gary Conchola

James Boer  
Lora Brvant  
Teresa Case  
Monica Contreras

Steve Bolton  
William Brvant  
Jesse Castaneda  
Sean Coons

Rhonda Boone  
Sheryl Burrows  
Phillip Cearley  
Amparo Cornejo

Rhonda Bowling  
Janina Caldwell  
Jeff Charron  
Raymond Corte

## by Stefania Farris

On the first Friday after Christmas vacation, the juniors held a New Year's Dance after the weekly basketball game. This turned out to be a great success, and the dance's profits

each year. From generation together as a team, showing that early planning and good organization can lead to



**Right:** Enjoying a victory rally are juniors Pam Ketchum, Susie Beckwith, Stephanie Heersink, Sabrina Farris, Kris Lee, John Klink, Leslie Anglin, Jennifer Wells, Phil Cearly, Trace O'Laughlin, Lisa Andrews, Richard Brunetti, Victor Curci and David Lopez.



Sandy Cox  
Rhonda Davis  
Lucy Dias

Tim Cramer  
De sa De la Rosa  
Jose Diaz

Crystal Crowles  
Humberto Delgado  
Loren Dieu

Victor Cures  
Donna De Simone  
Jorge Dinis

Chris Dallenbach  
Connie Dias  
Ron Dixon



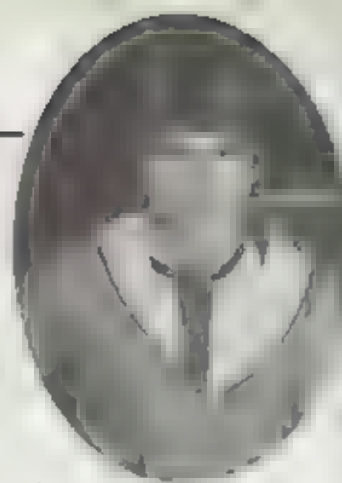
Diana  
Ryan Edwards  
Regina Fajardo  
Mark Fletcher

Bobby Dollar  
Carol Ellis  
Sabrina Farris  
Irma Flores

Leonard Donaldson  
Juan Esparta  
Maria Fernandez  
Lisa Flores

Ryan Dunscomb  
Armando Espinoza  
Gil Este  
Jeff Franklin

Linette Dupire  
Margaret Evetson  
Darren Fletcher  
Vince Furtado



## Richard Brunetti

by Lori Howell

After three weeks of sketching, erasing, and starting over, Richard Brunetti came up with the award-winning Centennial Logo for Modesto High. "I've always loved to draw," Richard said enthusiastically. When he was only twelve, he had already entered several contests, one of which was profitable for him: he received \$25 for drawing an animated character.

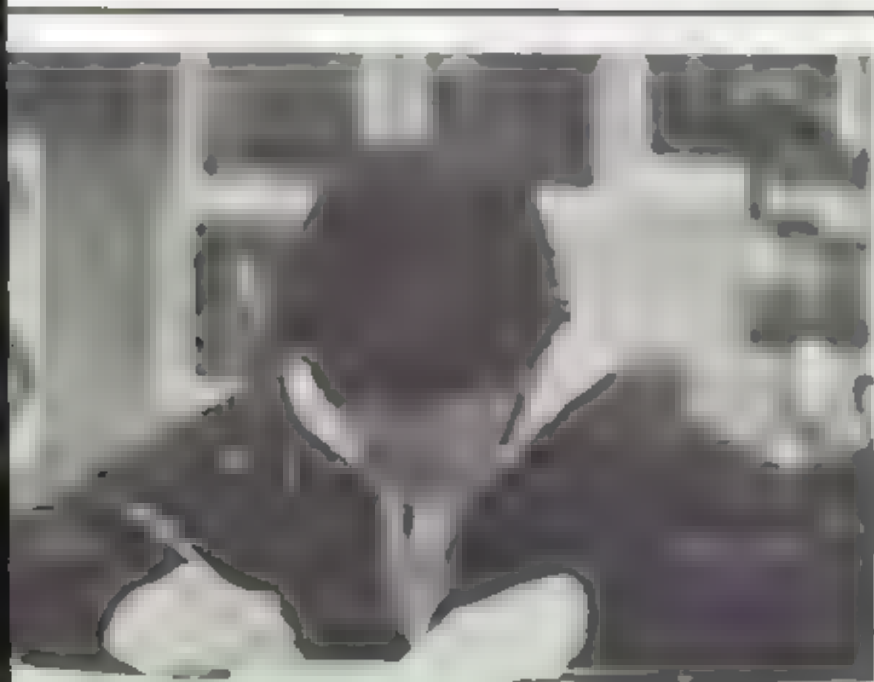
Richard's service to the school is greatly appreciated; often when the office needs lettering done or pictures drawn, Richard is the first one to be contacted. Since MHS joined the VOL league this year, it was necessary to replace the rival mascots which hang in the Girls Gym. With the help of Commercial Art teacher Leroy Giovannoni, Richard painted the new wall hangings.

When asked about his plans for the future, Richard doesn't have to think very long for an answer. "I think I'll go into some type of commercial art. Maybe advertising," he adds, excitement rising in his voice as he warms to the idea.

Being only a junior, Richard has another year to learn advanced drawing and sketching skills while attending MHS. He hopes to learn as much about art as he can, and hopefully get more experience at drawing things for other people.

"Thinking up new ideas for sketches and putting on paper exactly what you're thinking about can be hard work, but when somebody likes what you've done, it's all worth it," Richard concluded.





Top: Richard Brunetti concentrates on producing another design in his art class.  
 Above: Richard "tidies up" a large-scale mock-up of the award-winning Centennial Logo.  
 Left: While in his 3rd period art class, Richard begins another masterpiece.  
 Second Left: Richard puts his painting skills to use by making a permanent form of the Centennial Logo.

Jose Garcia  
 James Garner  
 Craig Gayhart

Monica Garcia  
 Jesus Garribay  
 Steve Gayhart

Patricia Garcia  
 John Garrison  
 Jimmy Gayle

Ralph Garcia  
 Juanita Garza  
 Paul Gerhardt



Darren Gilbert  
 Troy Goldman  
 Sophia Gonzalez  
 Sonia Guerrero

Jennifer L. Greth  
 Mike Guadalupe  
 Anna Guadalupe  
 Robert Guerrero

Kashmir Gutierrez  
 Tony Gutierrez  
 Robert Gutierrez  
 Tony Gutierrez

Eric Gutierrez  
 Nancy Gutierrez  
 Kathy Gutierrez  
 Eric Gutierrez



To me Modesto High is a place where you can prepare for the future. With such a proud tradition, it's a great place to be!  
 —Sonia Cueto

Michele Haley  
Stephanie Heersink  
Carol Herchkorn

Stacy Hildord  
Lance Heinrich  
Harr Hettings

Lisa Hanes  
Joe Henriques  
Gary Hibbs

Cindy Harrison  
Paul Henry  
Jim Hiler

Kathy Heaton

Right: Cindy Harrison is a Hi Deb rep  
Below: Which are the live models? Geri Peek and Dianne McHale pose with three mannequins  
Bottom: Geri and Dianne practice their mannequin poses



Crystal Hodges  
Jolene Howser  
Neil Jackson  
Lori Johnston

Linda Hoke  
Dee Ann Hughes  
Kim James  
Rick Kessie

John Howard  
Danny Hunstable  
Marlene Jarvis  
Pam Ketchum

Lori Howell  
Denise Ingram  
Eddie Jimenez  
Nareth Kham

Janner Jackson  
Jennifer Johnson  
Clayton Kittle







# Live Modeling

by Connie Blas

"I really enjoy modeling," commented junior Geri Peek. "Modeling for Hi-Deb is a good way to get started and to find out if you really want to become a model." Geri, Dianne McHale and Cindy Harrison are all models for Gottschalks' modeling program, called Hi-Deb.

Hi-Deb is a program in which girls from schools as far as Riverbank and Manteca get together and learn the basics of modeling. Girls who are interested in modeling with Hi-Deb begin by filling out applications, provided by the Career Center once a year. If accepted, they go in for a private interview. After being chosen for the program, the girls are taught the proper techniques of applying make-up, wearing the right clothes, and how to present themselves when modeling. The girls attend a meeting once a month where they find out their next modeling assignment from Paula Akcard, Gottschalk's fashion coordinator and Hi-Deb's program head.

Dianne and Geri worked in fashion shows and did promotional work for stores, such as passing out perfume samples. They also were involved with a fashion show put on to promote a new restaurant in Manteca.

Most of the Hi-Deb modeling is done during the spring and summer. Dianne and Geri were both fortunate enough to model in some of Gottschalks' bridal shows, usually the largest shows of the season. They not only did regular modeling, but also some mannequin modeling for Gottschalks and Bobbie West, also located in the Vintage Faire Mall.

Dianne and Geri both enjoy modeling very much. For Dianne, modeling is a spare time activity, but Geri hopes to make her occupation as a professional model someday. Both feel that they are learning a lot at Hi-Deb which will be useful to them later in life.

Dianne stated, "It's a good way to learn about fashions and make-up. I think it helps you to present yourself, especially when you go to job interviews."

Rick Klereren  
Kris Lee  
Susan Looper

Laune Kline  
Mennda Lee  
Ron Lopes

John Kunk  
Somphon Lee  
David Lopez

Bertha Larr  
Thongphorn Lee  
Guadalupe Lopez

Tamara Lawrence  
Hiren Linates  
Tim Lopes



Andrea Love  
Dianne McHale  
Marcos Madrid  
Vincent Martinez

James McAny  
Scott McKenzie  
Jose Madrigal  
Anthony Matthews

Martin McCarthy  
Laura MacPheiridge  
Veronica Madrigal  
Stephanie Mattox

Becky McGann  
Frank Maddalena  
Jaime Magana  
Rodell Meeks

Lee Ann Machado  
Ron Maddox  
Nick Martinez  
Mancel Medo

Don Mellow  
Jerry Miller  
Patricia Moses

Phillip Mercer  
John Miller  
Mark Murillo

Chuck Meyer  
Gumarn Miranda  
Lisa Nagel

Eric Milchen  
Estella Montalbo  
Wendy Nagel

Anna Miller  
Rick Morgan  
Daniel Nava



Kim New  
Loree Oaks  
Francisco Ortiz  
Keith Parker

Brian Nicholson  
Trace O'Laughlin  
Julie Page  
James Peck

Mike Nicholson  
Maria Oliveira  
Machelle Park  
Ger Peck

Robert Norman  
Brian Oreglia  
Charles Parker  
Cecilia Peral

Mickey Nugent  
Colbert Ornelas  
Doris Parker  
Say Phompong



## Crystal Crowley

By Paula Brown

While looking through an art magazine, Crystal Crowley discovered an article about how to collect a set of miniature antique furniture. The article got her very interested in how she could collect a set of her own.

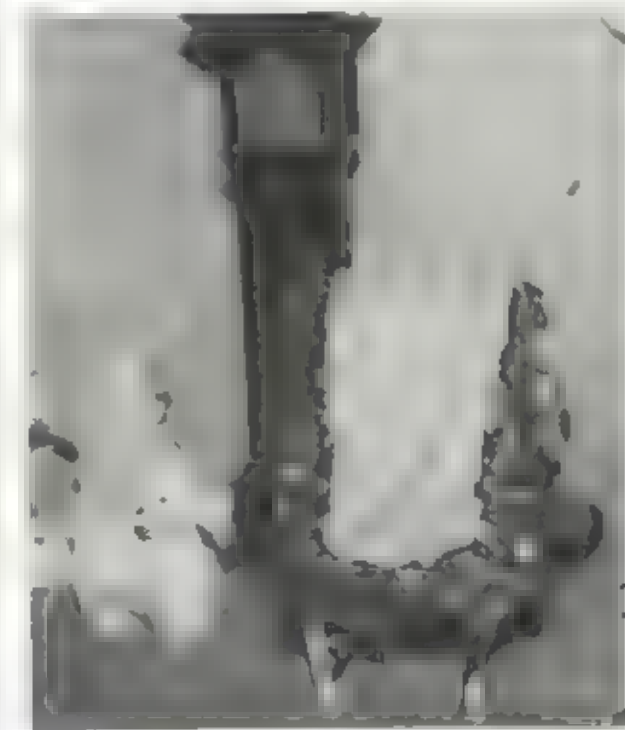
After saving her money to buy some pieces of furniture, she made her first purchase, which also turned out to be her most expensive one, a small couch. Four years later her collection now has about a dozen pieces, including tables, couches, and chairs. "Collecting miniature antiques can get expensive sometimes," said Crystal, but she feels it is worth the cost.

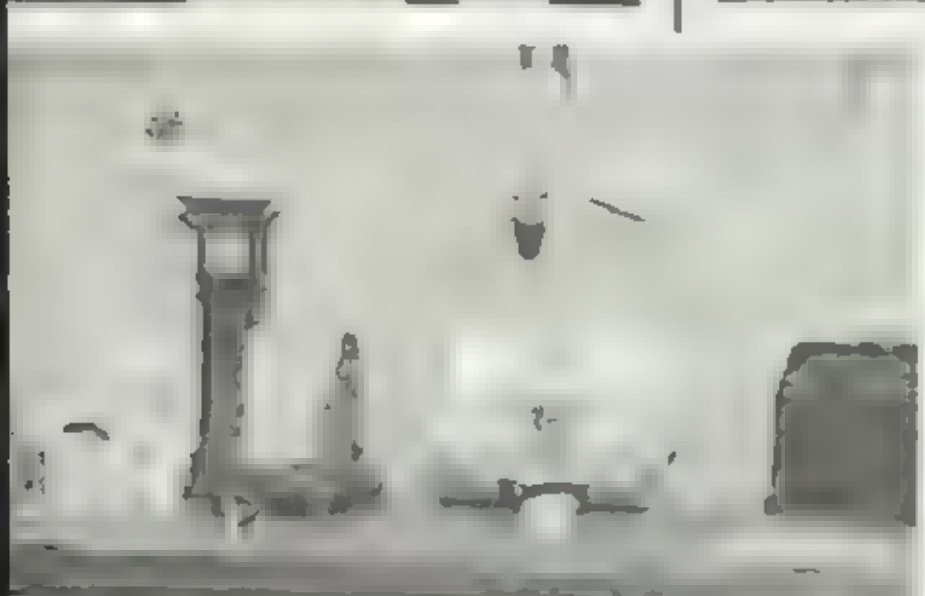
Her mother added, "Crystal works very hard on her collection. Sometimes she will sit for three or four hours working on the different pieces she has."

Crystal's favorite piece is one of the chairs she bought about a year ago. After working consistently on it, it has now become the most valuable piece she owns.

She loves her collection and is very proud of the work she does. Even so, she has no plans to sell any of her work. She feels it is something she wants to keep in the future.

She concluded, "I would like to keep it in my family. I hope someday that my children will like it as much as I do and enlarge it."





Above: Crystal Crowley smiles as she explains the various pieces of her collection  
Left and Upper Center: Close-ups of some of the miniatures  
Upper Right: Crystal poses proudly with some of the favorite pieces in her collection of miniature furniture.

Carlos Pineda  
Brenda Pope  
Anthony Presto



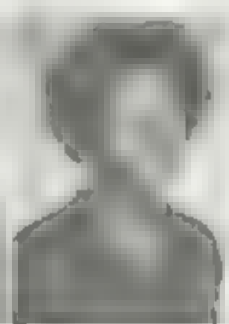
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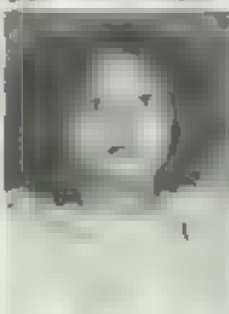
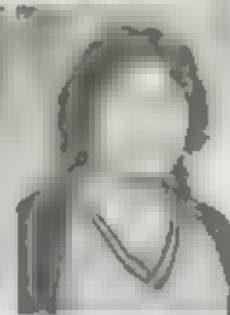
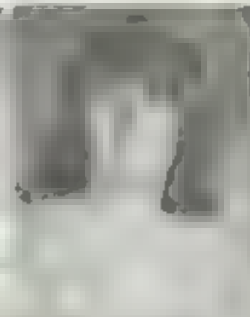
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Tina Prado  
Galindo Ramirez



Sarah Pollock  
Denise Presley  
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Sandra Saunders

Irene Ramos  
Thomas Reed  
Sharon Roberts  
Annmarie Savath

Patricia Ramos  
Troy Relei  
Manuel Rosales  
David Scarborough

Tammy Rancourt  
Maria Rivera  
Sherry Rose  
Maria Scarborough

Sherrie Ransdorph  
Refuglon Rivera  
Darren Ruskamp  
Jason Searl



I have always loved Modesto High. As a former student, aide, and now as a teacher, I see MHS and the Centennial Celebration as a living example of what a variety of people and cultures working together can accomplish. We are those people! —Pat Durr



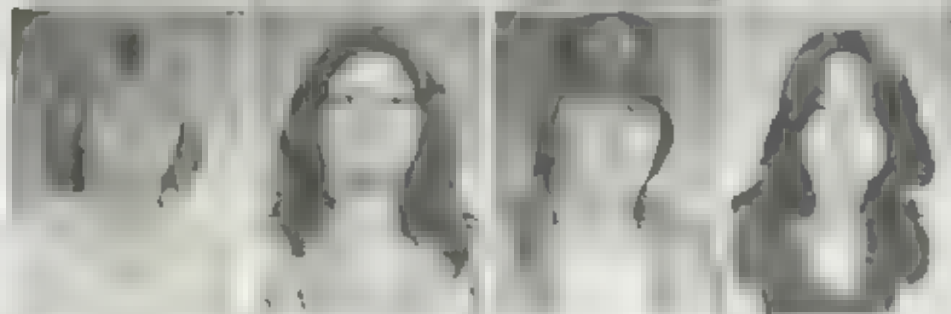
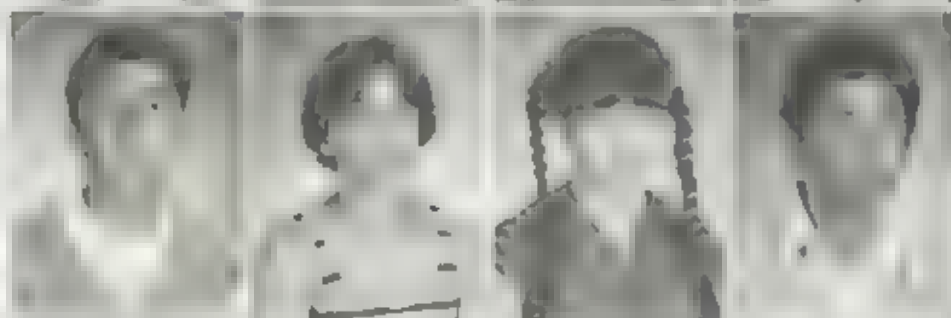
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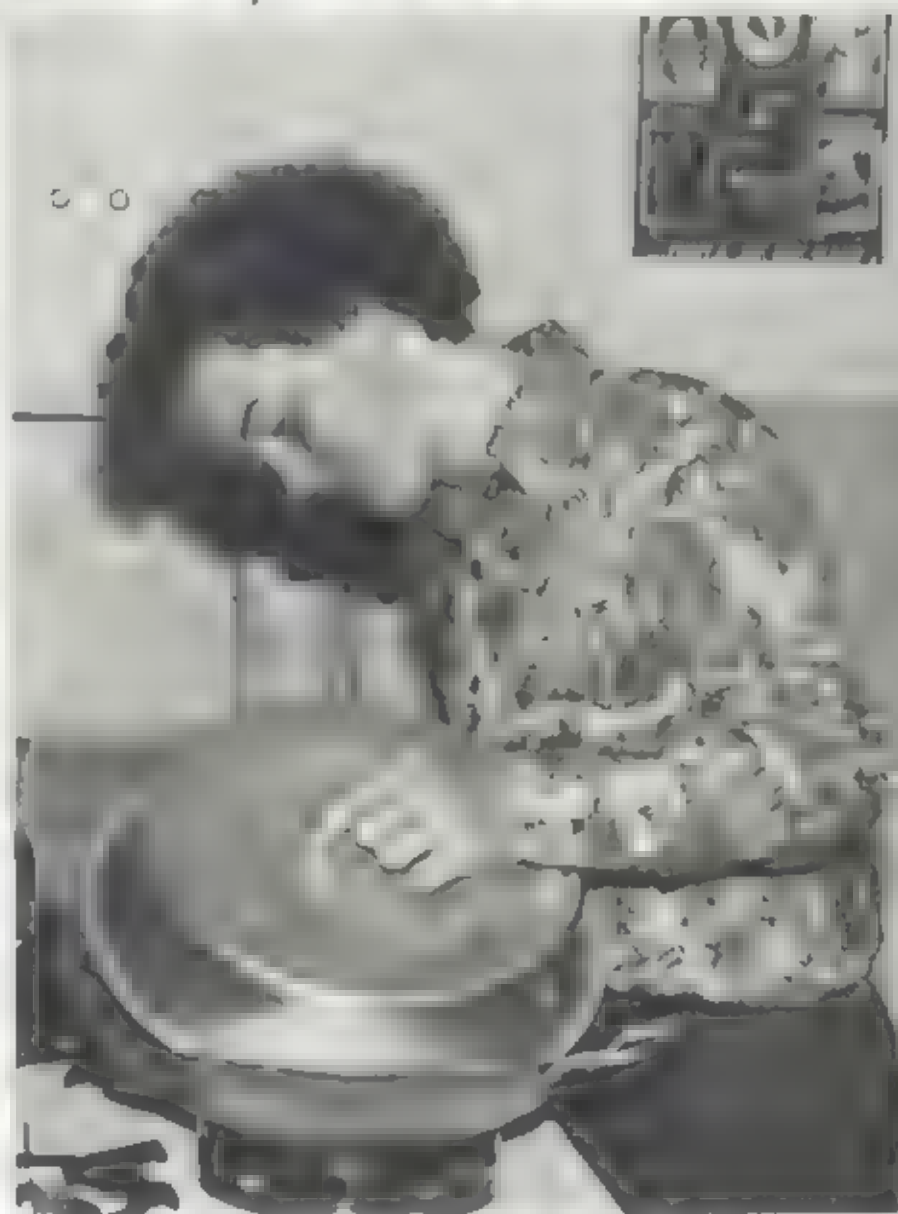
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Curtis Starkey  
Danyra Swartzburg  
Lori Thomas  
Mark Tiger

Shirley Stout  
Roberta Tannehill  
Lina Thomas  
Camilla Tolman

Mike Tono



Above: Gene  
Vlemandt peeks  
into the wok to  
check the pro-  
gress of his culi-  
nary delight.  
Right: Gene ad-  
ds a sausage to  
add a little fla-  
vor.





# Gene

## Allemandi

by Connie Mas

**T**aught by his Uncle Charlie and Aunt Ada, Gene Allemandi has been cooking Japanese food for the past five years. He has his own cooking equipment and prepares all kinds of Japanese dishes at home. He usually cooks for special occasions, such as family birthdays or anniversaries.

Gene has been to Japan three different summers to visit his aunt and uncle who reside there, but getting permission to go to Japan is not easy. "It is a real hassle because you have to fill out a lot of papers and you must have relatives living in Japan to be able to visit," commented Gene.

When he does visit Japan, Gene stays with his uncle and aunt who teach him all about Japanese customs. They also demonstrate to him the various types and varieties of Japanese food and the methods of preparing the food.

The religious aspect of Japanese culture is a fascination of Gene's. He really enjoys going to the temples and learning all he can about the Japanese way of life.

When asked about living in Japan someday Gene replied, "I'm not sure about living there permanently, but I would like to continue to learn more about cooking their food, and about their cultures."



Upper Left: Demonstrating Japanese cooking to a foods class, Gene Allemandi adds another ingredient to the wok.

Above: Gene checks the oven to make sure it is hot enough.

Lucy Toste  
Humberto Urquidez  
Hector Vera

Dorothy Trammell  
David Valdez  
Daniel Vera

Rick Trevino  
Zulema Vento  
David Vera

Miguel Trujillo  
Arthur Vera  
Leon Verborg

Tim Tuggle  
Bertha Vera  
Stacy Walker



Sean Wani  
Tammy Westfall  
Randy Whitehead  
Stefanie Wood

Keith Waters  
Dixie Weststeyn  
Patricia Williams  
April Wooldridge

Sue Ann Welch  
Angie Wheeler  
Andrea Williamson  
Ivan Wyeth

Jennifer Wells  
Laura Wheeler  
Jeff Wilson  
Mary Yandell

Jake Weston  
Shanin White  
Valerie Wilson  
Zusana Zuniga

I am proud to be a part of Modesto High's centennial because I feel that this celebration is more or less a reunion of everyone who ever came here.

—Pat Hildreth

# Class of '85 Works Hard at Fundraising

by Susie Beckwith

The Class of '85 has been working hard at fundraising activities over the year. Most of the pe-

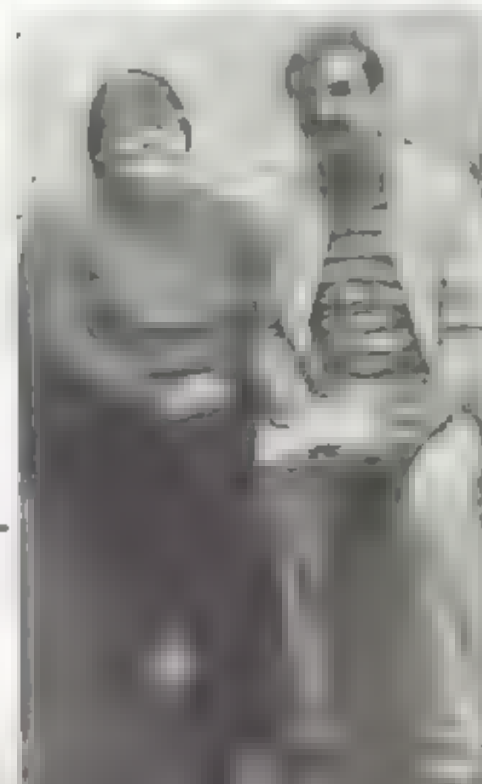
...the progress of the skit with enthusiasm. Below: Karin Smith smiles as she joins a group at break.



Left: Watching joyfully at a Spring Rally, a group of spirited sophomores follows the progress of the skit with enthusiasm. Below: Karin Smith smiles as she joins a group at break.

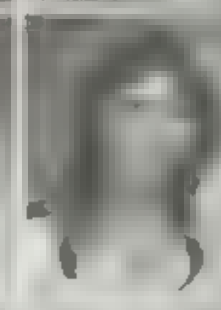
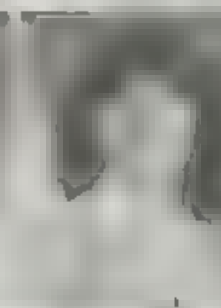
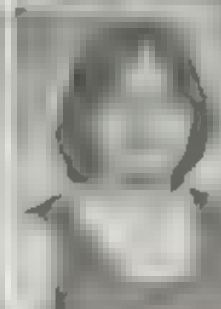


Above, Sophomore Class Officers: Arthur Martinez, vice president; Shawyne Clark, rep; Nikki Smith, president; Sharyl Mendonza, secretary. Right, Sophomore Class Advisors: Ila Westfall and Arlen Holen.



Karrie Abernathy  
Guadalupe Angel  
Michelle Azevedo

Cindy Adams  
Laura Archuleta  
Jerry Baldwin



Holly Beatty  
Tommy Bond  
Michelle Buman  
Manuel Chapa

Wendy Beauvais  
Chrisie Boucher  
Theresa Camaral  
Francine Chavez



Lyndi Adams  
 Julia Arrimend  
 Renato Balenovich

Evaristo Aguilar  
 Julie Arles  
 Martin Barba

Eddie Aguirre  
 Cynthia Arreola  
 Martin Barber

Lydia Alberto  
 Fernando Arrison  
 Raymond Barber

Christina Alcala  
 Abdo Asumauri  
 Jackie Barnes

James Aldana  
 Tina Ausema  
 Nancy Bass

Sotha Am  
 Sergio Avala  
 Michelle Baugus

Lydia Andrews  
 Manuel Azevedo  
 Christine Beatty



Henry Benavides  
 Karen Bratley  
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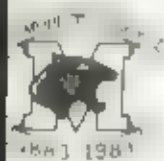
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 Pete Casas  
 David Coats

Thomas Boggs  
 Andre Brooks  
 Davie Castillo  
 Rachel Cole

Johnny Bonales  
 Jonny Buantello  
 Lillie Chalk  
 Rory Cole



The activities and history behind Modesto High seem to add a spark to my school year; I am proud to be a part of this school in its Centennial Celebration!  
 —John Bringas

Herb Collier  
Sandra Contreras  
Donny Coonce

Cindy Collins  
Butch Coonce  
Cherylee Cope



Judy Corrales  
Dana Criswell  
Patrick Culver  
Bob Dalton

Charlita Crane  
Nedra Cuevas  
Clarence Cunha  
Kelly Davis



## Chris & Holly Beatty

by Mandy Walls

Excitement is the ultimate goal of twins Chris and Holly Beatty, sophomores at MHS. At school, Chris and Holly share many of the same interests, including music, dance, and sports. Outside the school day, where they both take piano lessons and raise cattle on their family ranch.

Chris and Holly, born on Christmas day, started dancing in grade school and have continued through high school. The twins are both enrolled in Mrs. Chris Broome's modern dance classes, and were fortunate enough to participate in the Centennial Dance Production. Both obviously enjoy dancing. Holly explained, "I like to let my body move with the beat of the music," and Chris added, "I love music, and I feel good when I dance." They prefer to dance to country and rock music. Their ability helped them earn a spot as sophomore basket-



Their love of music has carried them through one of their few areas of divergence. Holly sings as a member of the Ensembles, while Chris is a clarinetist in the Marching Band. However, the sisters enjoy playing the piano.

To go along with their dancing and sport activities, Chris and Holly also find time to work with animals. The twins have raised Brown Swiss cows since they started the project in the fourth grade. Both have received various awards in county and state fairs. During one show, Chris took a Grand Champion ribbon while Holly placed second in the same event. Both of the girls enjoy working with their animals and consider it more of a pleasure than a job, especially when they receive money for their efforts. They have used the proceeds from several recent sales to pay for spiritleading camp, purchase their song leader outfits, and set up college funds.

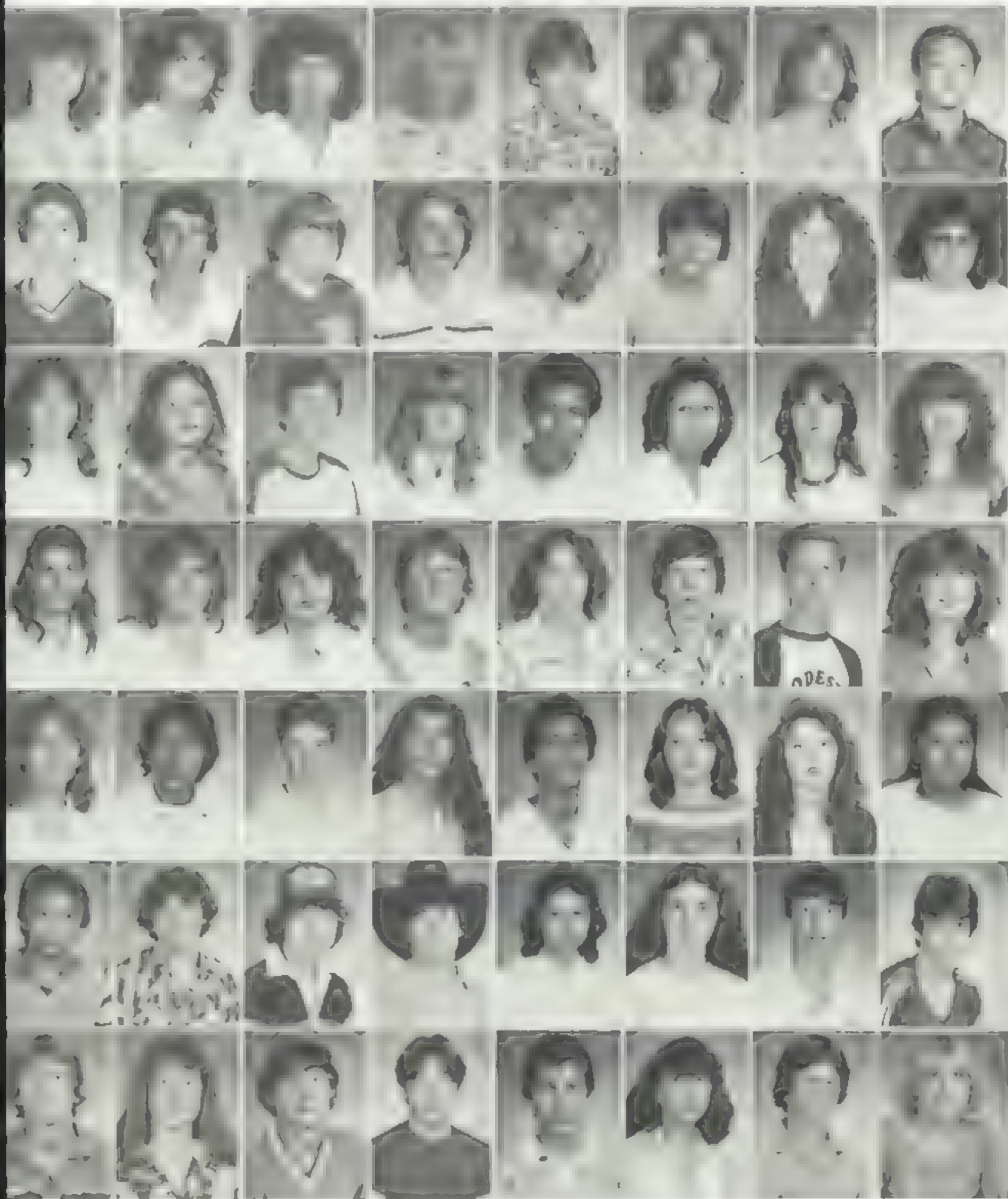
Everything they participate in, they enjoy, as long as they do it together. Even most of their classes are together. Do they ever get tired of being "half of a team?" Not a bit! Says Holly, "We've both always enjoyed having the other as an especially close friend. I wouldn't know what to do if I couldn't confide in Chris every day."



Left: Exuberant and enthusiastic, Holly and Chris Beatty rush to their next class.

Upper Left: Holly lets her body move to the beat of the music. Above: Holly and Chris groom and feed their prize-winning cows.

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I am proud to be associated with my alma mater at  
this exciting time in its history. Long live MHS!  
—Elaine Hoover



Teresa Hamrick  
Yolanda Hernandez  
Nannette Holmes

Tony Hamrick  
Mike Herres  
Orren House

Jett Hardenbrook  
Ron H  
Gladys Howard

Jenny Hayes  
Kenny Hsach  
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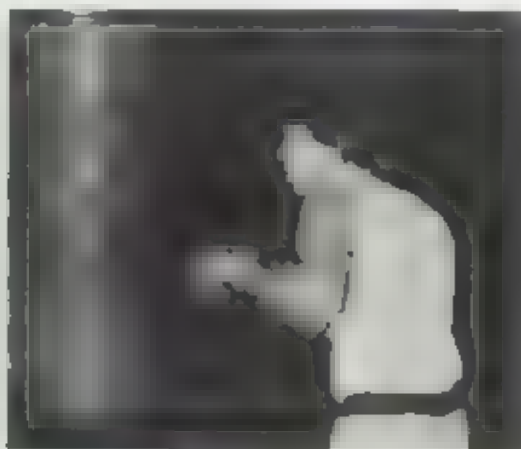


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by Diane McElale

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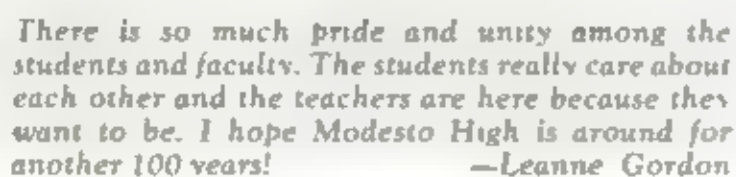
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**Right:** Joe practices his jabs and hooks with a fellow boxer

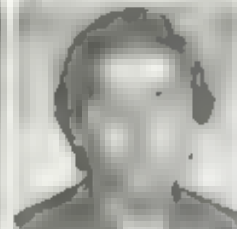
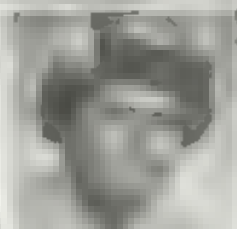
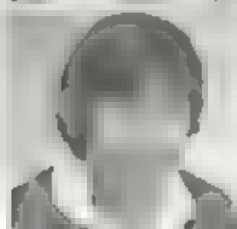
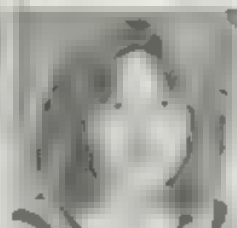
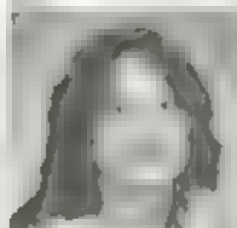
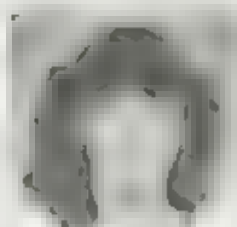


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## Becky Stearns

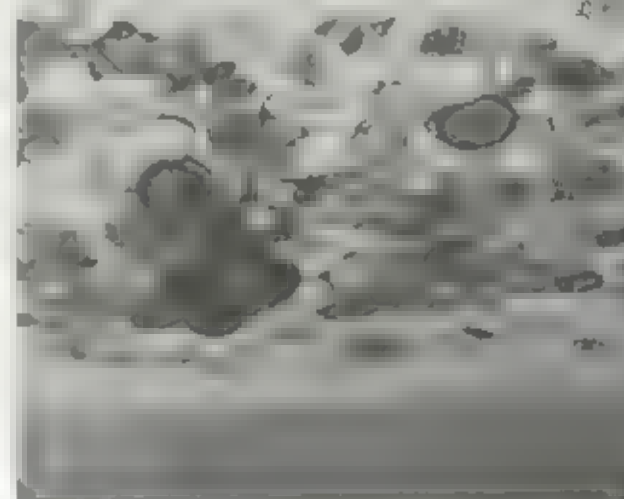
by Jason Kassar

**'Y**es, this saving on a button inspired the collection of sophomore Becky Stearns. She got this button and began her button collection when she was in middle school. Since then her collection has grown to over 250, and she buys almost weekly. Becky began collecting buttons because "I saw one so I'd buy it. But now I look for different, unusual ones to add to my collection."

Becky buys her buttons from a variety of different places, both locally and out of town. Her mother helps out by looking around for buttons too. Sometimes Becky even buys them at yard sales or receives them from merchants who have heard about her collection and contribute.



Above: Becky Stearns tries on just a few of her many buttons. Right: Riffing through her vast collection, Becky is amused at their slogans. Upper Right: Becky's collection is over 250 and still growing.



Becky has buttons of many different sizes, shapes, and colors; however, her favorite button is one with the simple slogan "I'm a nerd" which reflects her quiet personality.

Becky plans to continue her collection for a long time until she loses interest. As of now she is still enthusiastic about all the others out there that she hasn't gotten yet, saying, "I hope to collect as many different buttons as I can find. I don't know why I like it so much, but whatever the reason, it's fun."



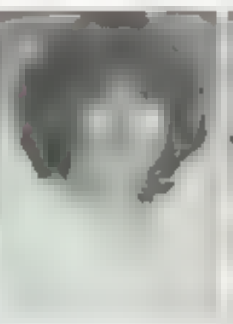
Paula Nelson



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Huong Nguyen



Kristi Neilson



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Being a part of MHS in the Centennial Year means seeing people caught up in a spirit of excitement and pride. It means seeing Mr. Lang's smiling face, along with a host of others, filing into the library reference room for meetings, meetings, meetings!

—Wendy Lanphear





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Eugene Pacheco  
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Sabrina Oliver  
Charlotte Parker  
Sarah Phompong

Ellie Olvera  
Mark Parker  
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Chen Olson  
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Walter Sutton  
Martina Vasquez  
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Jeff Stanley  
Garland Teaney  
Prum Vath  
Linda Walker

Becky Stearns  
Hong Thai  
Beatrice Velasco  
Dianne Watts



**Brandon Mauksch**

by Vera Michen

After finishing first in their district, Brandon and Brian placed second in the state finals. What Brandon liked best about being at the nationals were the challenges of tougher competition from people from all over the US and Canada. Someday Brandon hopes to

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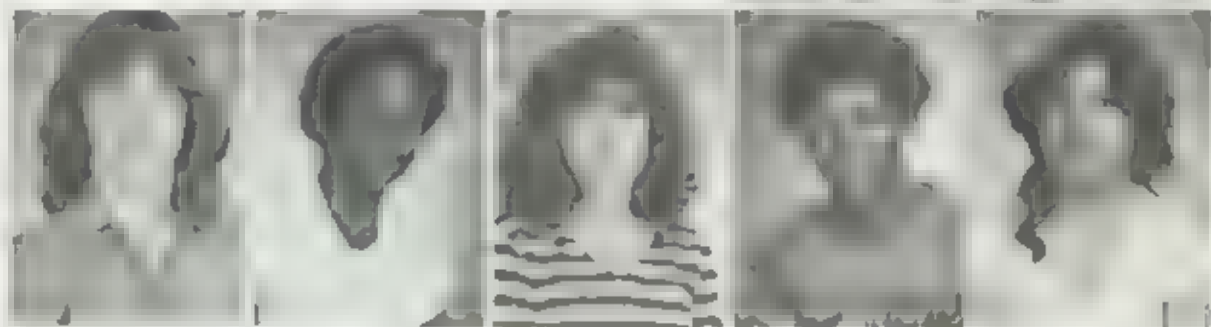
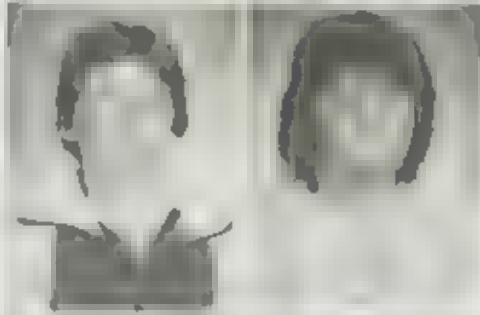
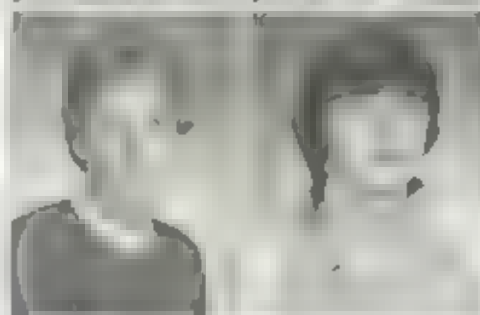
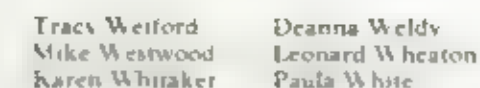
**Above:** Rodeo competition continues in all kinds of weather at Hearman-Marksch, as a horse breaks through the mud at Farock.

**Left:** Staying mounted on a bucking bull isn't easy, but Brandon hangs on.

**Lower Left:** Here comes a "live one, but Brandon is in charge of the situation.



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Maria Ayala

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Nancy Castro  
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Mario Alvarez  
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Angie Bonales

## By John Mallard

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at Modesto, Mr. Hill replied, "Individually, the members of the Class of 1986 were at Modesto High School MHS in some ways, they didn't at the time the spirit and class become an



Left, Freshman Class Advisors: H. L. Clark, Marvin Lundquist.

John Bringas  
Robert Camden  
Vera Chapa  
Jose Cortez



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Leroy Cota  
Steve Cousins  
Raymond Cox

Shane Cottrell  
Mike Cowser  
Dennis Crocker



Marius Croitoru  
Keith Cunha  
Dirk Deberry  
Israel De la Rosa

Sonia Cuello  
Fred Davis  
Greg Deeter  
Matthew Denlinger

Ralph Dehart

Billy Devine

Chris Dias

Kelly Dias

Lina Dias

Angela Diaz



## Becky Peeper

by Paula Peeper

I have known Becky Peeper since she was a little girl. She is a very kind and friendly person who is always willing to help others. She is a very hard worker and is always striving for excellence. She is a very good student and is always on top of her work. She is a very good friend and is always there for her friends. She is a very good person and is always making a difference in the world.



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Above: Becky Peeper jogs through the countryside near her home  
Upper Right: Becky tries to run several miles every day  
Right: The bulletin board trophy display is running over



Longevity evokes a sense of pride and dignity, and these are the feelings I have for MHS in the Centennial Year.  
—Hazel Bates





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Julie Emig

Annette Dickerson  
Jim Dunn  
Debra Emord

David Dickerson  
Cezg Earley  
Gloria Esparza

Berry Doll  
Tina Earley  
Doug Ferriere

Wendy  
Cathy  
Lynn

Tracy  
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Kyle  
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Mary  
Michelle  
Amanda



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Leticia  
Monique

Rosalva Flores  
Samantha Garcia  
Evan  
Rodney

Guillermina Flores  
Jose Gaxiola  
Daisy

Birdie Ford  
Mike Geren  
Raquel  
Alex

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Carl Gisher  
Gracie Gonzales  
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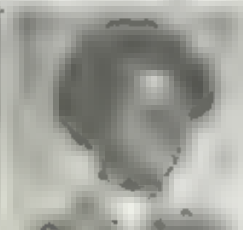
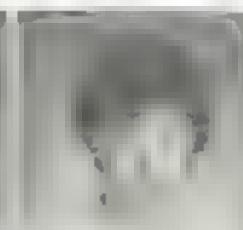
## ESL—MHS is Helping the Melting Pot

by Pat Burr

The Modesto High School District is pleased to announce that the district has been selected to participate in the California English Language Development (EL) program. This program is designed to help students who are new to the United States and who are not fluent in English to learn the English language and to gain a better understanding of the history and culture of California and the United States. These students must learn to speak, read, and write the English language, in addition to completing the designated classes and passing the competency tests required for graduation. The challenge is great, but the students who are successful will be able to master English and understand the culture of the United States, so that they may proceed with their education or enter the working world.

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Ralph LaPlante  
Robert Laurs  
Monique Lee



Pallorn Lee  
James Leggett  
Michelle Letcher  
Charles Long

Samantha Lee  
Jessica Lemon  
Carolina Lomeli  
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Left: Helping students Maay Sok and Chanta Kem, Mr. Pat Durr begins a group discussion  
Below: Mr. Durr assists students of his ESL classes with homework



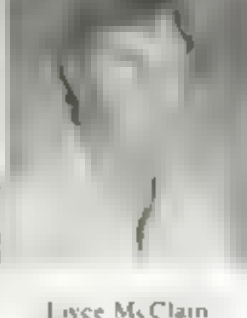
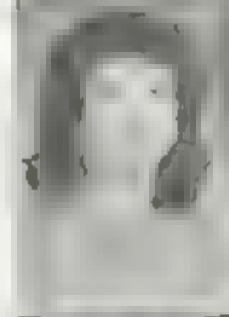
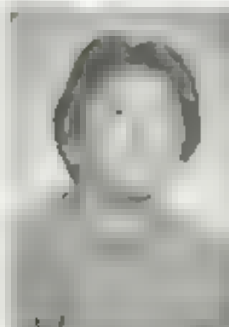
Above: Mr. Durr gives individual attention to the problems Esther Gonzalez and Irma Nevarez are having with their lessons.  
Right: Mr. Pat Durr, instructor and counselor of students who speak little or no English.





Carlos Lopes  
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Debra Lovelady

Humberto Lopez  
Russell Love  
Florence Lugo



Rite McCarty  
Susan McCreath  
Kim McIntosh  
Paula McKnight

Joyce McClain  
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## Greg Deeter

by Rhonda Albright

Although stamp collecting isn't an exciting hobby for most people, it's very engrossing to freshman Greg Deeter.

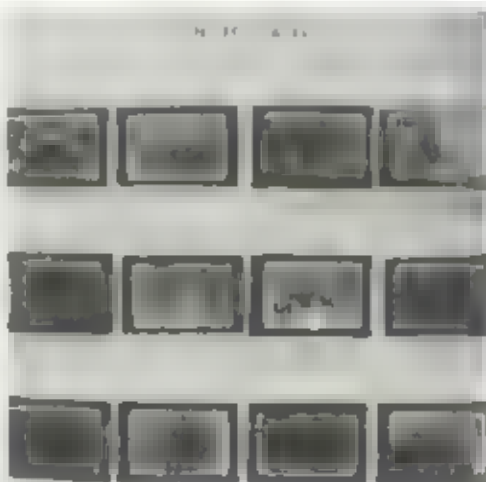
Greg's involvement with stamps became very important to him when he discovered the challenge of collecting them from around the world, and that some of them had tremendous value. Realizing how important it is to keep his stamps in good condition, Greg places all of them in albums soon after he gets them.

In addition to the background, upkeep, and significance of stamps, Greg is a member of The Stanislaus Stamp Collecting Club. Greg enjoys the numerous meetings he attends. He stated, "I get a chance to meet new people and trade and sell different stamps from my collection." The Club holds an annual show each year. In 1981, Greg was fortunate enough to win the honor of displaying the postmark for the Michigan State Fair.



Having roughly \$6,000 worth of stamps, Greg spends about five hours each week working on it, of which he enjoys his US stamps the most. A study of the stamps is like a miniature history lesson of this country, and actually touching the stamps someone used a hundred years ago or more is a link with the past. Greg's favorite stamp is the first one the Post Office issued. It is a Franklin stamp printed in 1747. At that time it was worth five cents, but today its value has risen to \$50,000, the most expensive stamp in his collection.

Greg concludes, "For most people, stamp collecting is boring, but to me, it's not only interesting, but well worth it."



Left: Displaying his stamp album, Greg Deeter shows great pride.

Upper Left: These 12 stamps are the most valuable in Greg's collection.

Upper Right: Greg keeps his stamp collection in these three stamp albums.

Above: Pasting new stamps into his albums is one of Greg's pastimes.

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Simon Sabala





# Elite Gymnasts

by Sabrina Harris

**I** hard work. It takes time and devotion but I love it. "It's fun," enthuses freshman Sherry Brownlee about her favorite sport, gymnastics. Both Sherry and Kris Wing have been members of the US Academy of Elite Gymnasts since April, 1982.

The girls practice at least three times a week for three hours at a time under the supervision of coach and owner Tom Trost. Sherry has been in gymnastics programs since she was nine. Having that past experience gives her the advantage she needs. At this time, the girls are participating in state competitions. In 1984 they will both advance into national competitions in places such as Hawaii and Idaho.

Since the academy's members are 15 years old, both girls plan to continue the sport through to college. Kris started in



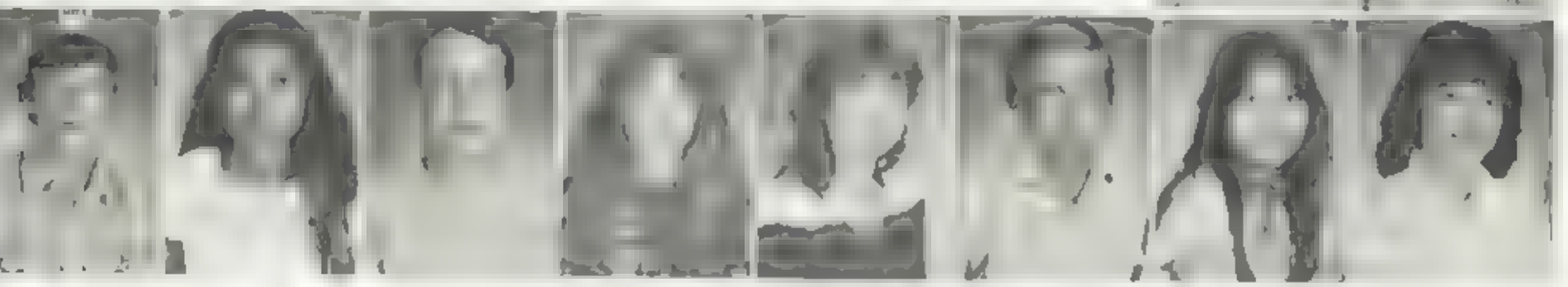
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Above: Concentration and flexibility are required for Kris wing to do a good beam routine. Upper Right: Kris uses her excellent balance to hold a handstand on the beam. Right: Sherry Brownlee practices a routine for her favorite event, the bars.



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Myron Warren

Keith Turner  
Mom Vath  
Yolanda Vera  
Sylvia Watan





# Mike Romo

by Sandi Grover



A young man with a friendly smile, Mike Romo is a student at the school. He is a member of the school's sports team and has been active in various school activities. Mike is a hard worker and a team player. He is also a member of the school's honor roll. Mike is a very talented student and is a great example to other students. He is a very kind and helpful person. Mike is a very successful student and is a great example to other students. He is a very kind and helpful person. Mike is a very successful student and is a great example to other students. He is a very kind and helpful person.

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Left: Showing his technique, Mike displays one of the many kicks he has learned in the martial arts.

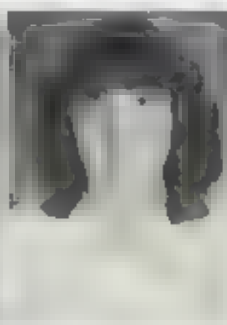
Lower Left: Mike is currently learning how to use the three sticks and strikes a martial pose.

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Kathy Welch  
Kim White  
Dennis Whitworth



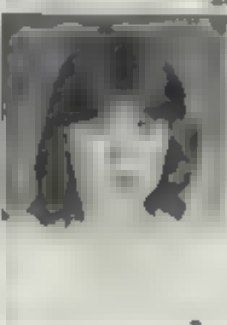
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# A Century

by Stephanie Frazier



Above: Almost any event was the occasion for a parade in the early days. In 1898 troops march through town as they prepare to leave for the Spanish American War.  
Right: Checking the feel of a piece of gingham, Susie Grover and Denise Presley bargain with General Store proprietor Philip Henry at the McHenry Museum.



# of Promotion

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Modesto High has been the center for activities and involvement in the community throughout its colorful history. In the past 100 years students have striven to enjoy their high school stay to the fullest. Getting involved in extra-curricular activities such as sports and clubs always played a major part in that fulfillment. The four different buildings which have served as the home of Modesto High during the past century weathered the coming and going of thousands of students who left behind inspired ideas that even today flourish in the halls of the present structure.

From the first Sycamore in 1910 (containing only 32 pages), each yearbook staff has struggled to produce a quality book filled with items to document their stay at Modesto High. With the exception of the year 1918, MHS journalism students have annually published a book. The early yearbooks were almost entirely composed of stories, essays, poems and jokes written by students, with advertisements of local businesses and stores.

The yearbook of today is much different. It is no longer a collection of literary writings. Containing many sections, it describes every aspect of student life. With the advancements of modern photography and improved printing procedures, colorful pictures are now displayed on every page, unlike the days when pictures were a rarely-seen "treat."

As academics, attitudes and activities evolve, each yearbook staff attempts to produce a book that reflects its students' interests and needs. By glancing through old yearbooks, one can relive the past through the eyes of students who came before. Each page reveals how these students coped with the ever-changing lifestyles they encountered. With the closing of 1983, its reality also becomes a memory of the past.

Panther Heritage remains an elusive term: pride, spirit, involvement, commitment, quality; all these and yet much more. In years to come, students will struggle with new ideas and activities, but a look into the past will always help the advancements of the future.



Left: John A. Cooper, first yearbook editor, graduated in 1911  
Below: The 1956 Homecoming Parade in downtown Modesto featured convertibles, floats, and crowds of people



Above: Frolic Day, an annual event for many years, featured Miss Elsie Bever, Dean of Girls, in the cow milking contest of May, 1946



# A Century of Promotion



by Dalinda Angelo

Each year is special in many ways, but the 1983 school year was one of extraordinary excitement and pride as the 100th year of MHS came to its spectacular close. For the seniors, graduating during Modesto High's Centennial year was a special honor. Ending their four-year "bondage" gave them a unique opportunity to serve in the transition from students to alumni, just as all around them old friends of the school "came home" again to celebrate.

1983 marked more than just 100 years of glory. MHS successfully finished its first year of participation in the Valley Oak League. Facing unfamiliar rivals brought difficulties to Panther teams. In many sports the competition was rated as tougher than that of the Central California Conference, yet the Panthers were able to snag the laurels of several champion-



Upper Left: An MHS student group poses in April 1887; among the surnames are Fuller, Curtis, Simmons, Wood, Prewitt, Marning, Hunt, Brosen, Hudson, Brown and Cawdry. Center Left: Charles and Maria Binda, students at MHS and grandparents of Richard Brunetti, pose for their wedding picture in 1914.

Left: A member of the 1924 English Department, Lucetta Kallenbarger gets all dressed up for Frolic Day. Above: Shanie Bentley, Kim Grimes, Dianne McHale and Stephanie Heersink join spiritleaders-turned-football players Michelle Simar, Suzie Beckwith and Pam Ketchum in loudly cheering at the fall King's Rally.



ship races.

A stiff new attendance policy went into effect in early January, requiring all students who were tardy to class to be processed through the attendance office. A third offense resulted in a Parent Conference suspension, so that in the early weeks of the new year members of the administration were busy every afternoon and early morning with counseling sessions. Despite a generalized grumbling from the students, the new policy was effective, as students literally ran to class to beat the tardy bell.

A controversial new rally schedule for the coming year was proposed in the spring semester. No longer would rallies be held at the end of the day with attendance optional. Instead, they would become similar in nature

to the assembly schedule, with attendance mandatory, and held earlier in the day.

Teachers and students alike commented on the improvement of spirit and pride displayed during the Centennial Year. More people attended sports events and more participated in individual activities, such as rally and club meetings. Panthers did well in a wide range of activities from debate to band competition to sports to journalism productions. Involvement and enthusiasm were "in" again, as everyone joined in the celebration.

The long-anticipated event is over and the 100th year is history. Students have said their tearful goodbyes, promising never to forget the Centennial Celebrations of which they were a part, fondly taking with them a sense of pride in a school that is loved by all involved.



Upper Left: Crystal Lindsay, Debbie Whitworth, Ray Chavez, Oscar Vega and Jackie Langerman show their craziness on the band's Senior Night  
Upper Right: Lori Howell and Chris Aldana get the sales pitch from Rodney Ripoff at the yearbook assembly  
Left: Trying to be "cool" on 50's Day,

seniors Joanne Potts and Phyllis Mercer strike a pose  
Above Left: Senior Jeff Bradley drinks to victory in the root beer Chug-A-Lug Contest at a noon rally  
Above Right: Getting into the beat of the music at the MASA dance, a crowd of students and their guests enjoys the chance to boogie

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## OPINION

Questionnaires were distributed to randomly selected groups of students which represent a cross section of the MHS student body

1. What do you plan to do after high school?

- |                      |     |
|----------------------|-----|
| A. college           | 67% |
| B. vocational school | 4%  |
| C. work              | 20% |
| D. military          | 9%  |

2. Where do you plan to go to college?

- |                         |     |
|-------------------------|-----|
| A. Modesto JC           | 59% |
| B. Cal State Stanislaus | 11% |
| C. other                | 30% |

3. Why have you made this choice about your future plans?

I plan to prepare myself for the choice I've made. I have long range goals for which I need a college education.  
—Rena Barnhill, senior

Things are going to get harder in the future and you are going to have to get a good job to live  
—Connie Sandoval, freshman

I would like to learn better career skills.  
—Lydia Franco, senior

I don't want to sit around, I want to make something out of life!  
—Florence Lugo, freshman

I want to get more education in computers.  
—Porfirio Aguirre, senior

I already know who I am going to work for, so I don't need college  
—Deanna Haro, freshman

I plan to be a veterinarian  
Erin Wray, senior

College is too expensive and takes too much time  
—Mickey Jordan, freshman

I plan to be a lawyer, and it's important to go to a good school  
Denise Presley, junior



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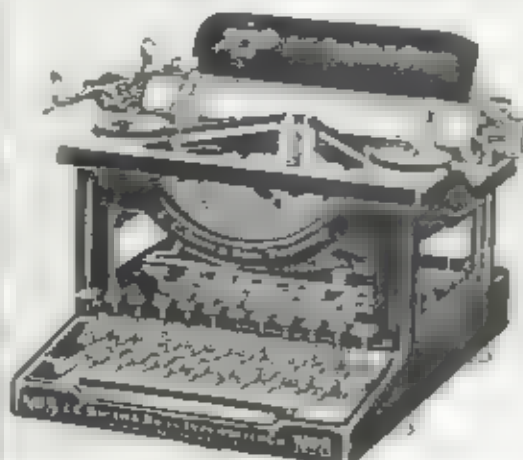


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## OPINION

Questionnaires were distributed to randomly selected groups of students which represent a cross section of the MHS student body

- How often do you go out to eat?
  - A. almost never 29%
  - B. 1 - 5 times a week 60%
  - C. 6 - 10 times a week 11%
- When do you go out most often?
  - A. breakfast 3%
  - B. lunch 34%
  - C. dinner 63%
- When you go out to eat, is it usually a special occasion?
  - A. yes 25%
  - B. no 75%
- What types of food do you like best?
  - A. fast food (hamburgers, fries) 25%
  - B. Mexican (tacos, burritos) 26%
  - C. Italian (pizza, spaghetti) 22%
  - D. Oriental (Chinese, Japanese, etc.) 11%
  - E. American dinners 16%

5. Comment on why you choose restaurants or food service locations.

To have a good time with my friends and I get to get out of the house. —Jaime Martinez, junior

They have more of a variety of food than our own kitchen does.

—Monica Cuevas, freshman

It's nice to eat out once in a while so you can try something different

—Traci Hunstable, freshman

Restaurants take their time in serving you the best; fast foods give you a rush job. —Camilla Tillman, junior

I choose a place to eat for the quality of the food, service, and type of environment. —Jessie Lemos, freshman

I don't like to do the dishes.

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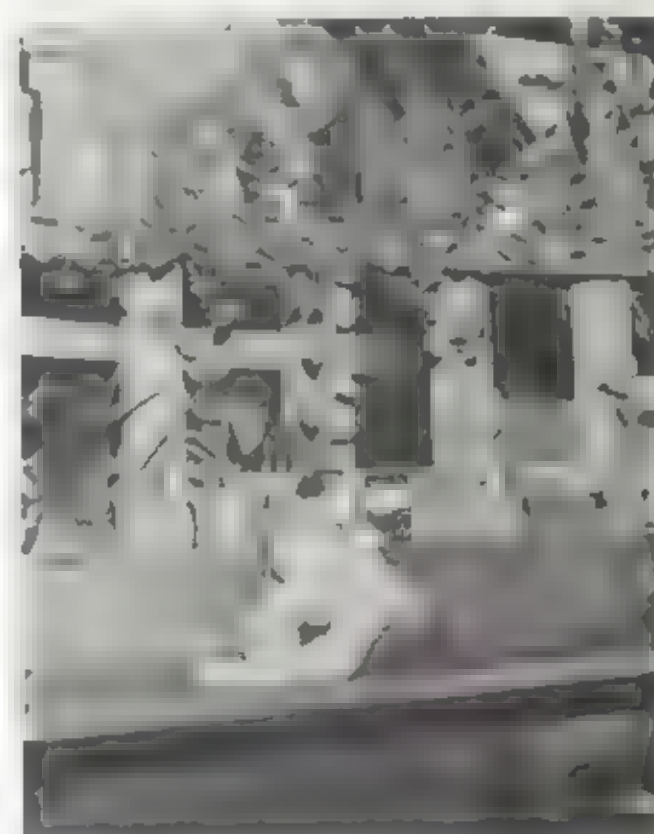
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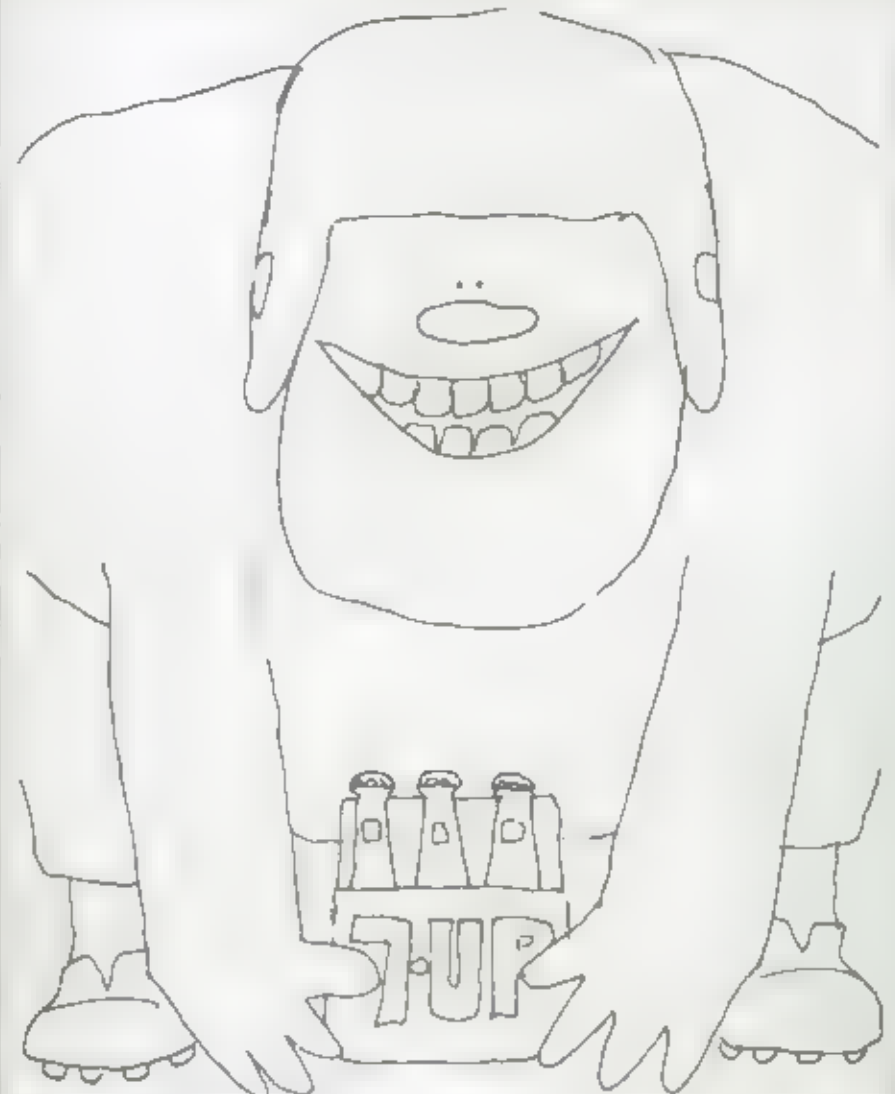
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—Pat Decker



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Second Period Class



Butch Elnburg and Gary Jacques present their hot rods.

Third Period Class

Jim Gillock and David Dickson replace some worn out points.

Brian Gayle changes his air filter.

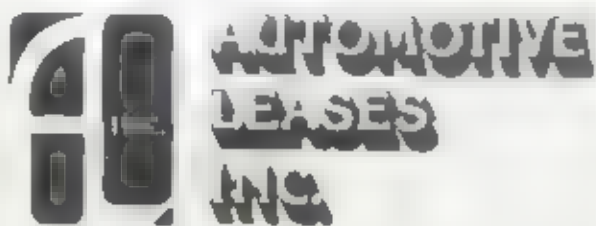
Glen Olsen and Jeff Creighton stand by their Chevy's.

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Questionnaires were distributed to randomly selected groups of students which represent a cross section of the MHS student body

#### 1. How do you get to school?

|                        |     |
|------------------------|-----|
| A. walk                | 20% |
| B. ride a bike         | 10% |
| C. drive or get a ride | 48% |
| D. take the bus        | 20% |
| E. other               | 2%  |

#### 2. How would you prefer to get to school?

|                        |      |
|------------------------|------|
| A. walk                | 7.5% |
| B. ride a bike         | 3%   |
| C. drive or get a ride | 82%  |
| D. take the bus        | 4.5% |
| E. other               | 3%   |

#### 3. Approximately how much do you spend on gas in a week?

|                 |       |
|-----------------|-------|
| A. \$15 or more | 28.5% |
| B. \$10 - \$14  | 23%   |
| C. \$5 - \$9    | 25.5% |
| D. \$4 or less  | 23%   |

#### 4. How do you service your car?

|                          |     |
|--------------------------|-----|
| A. professional services | 29% |
| B. get a friend to help  | 22% |
| C. your own labor        | 49% |

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#### 6. Comment on your ideas about transportation.

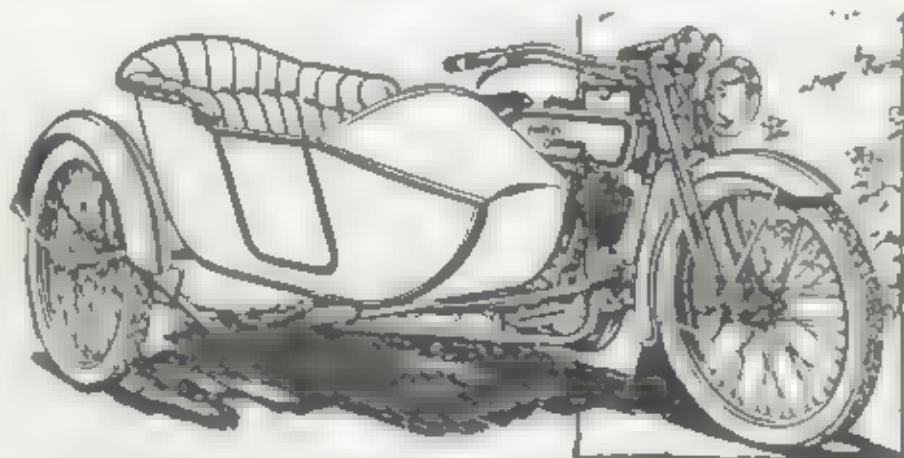
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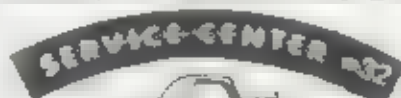
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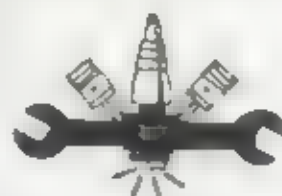
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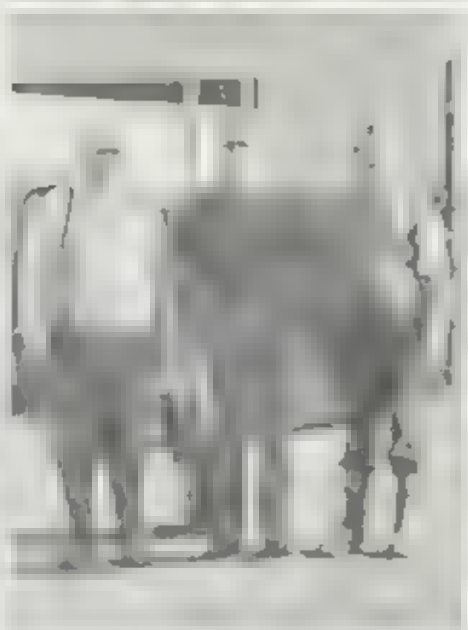
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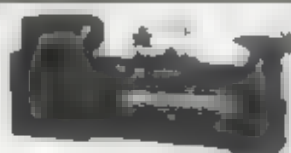


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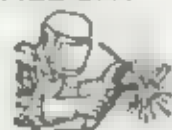
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—Ronald Hill

## OPINION

Questionnaires were distributed to randomly selected groups of students which represent a cross section of the MHS student body.

1. What type of clothing do you usually wear to school?

- A. jeans and T-shirt 41.5%
- B. casual 40%
- C. sporty 10%
- D. dressy 4%
- E. other 4.5%

2. What types of shoes do you usually wear?

- A. hiking boots 9%
- B. platforms 1%
- C. casual shoes 34%
- D. tennis shoes 43%
- E. cowboy boots 13%

3. Do you follow clothes trends?

- A. yes 35%
- B. no 65%

4. Do you wear a hat of any kind?

- A. yes 42%

knobay hats and baseball caps were mentioned

- B. no 58%

5. Comment on why you choose the clothes you wear

I like to be myself, but not too out-dated. Mostly, my clothes tell my mood. —Janna Caldwell, junior

They suit my style of living and to me they're comfortable

—Deborah Barnhart, sophomore

I wear what I like, not what others like. —John Shaw, junior

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I dress for comfort

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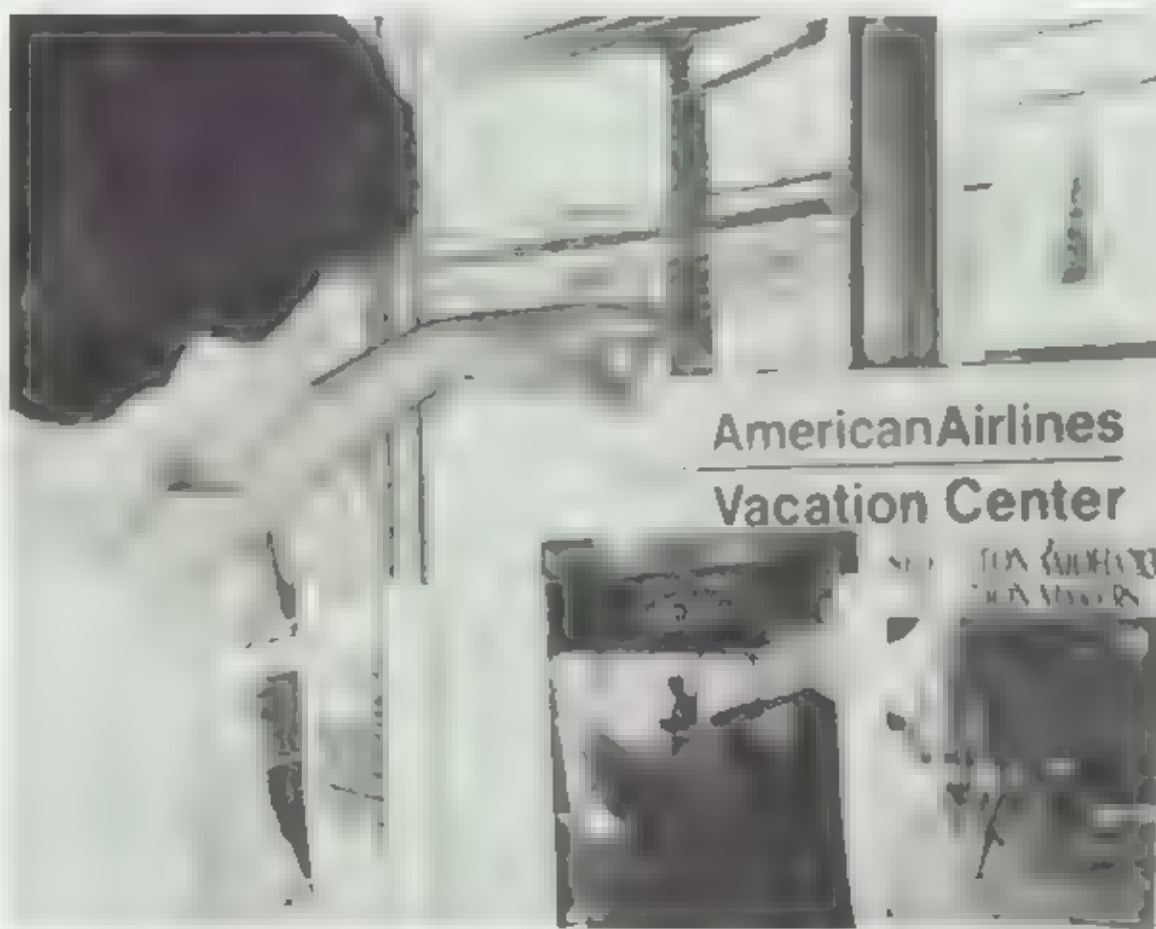


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1. What type of music do you like to listen to?

|                    |     |
|--------------------|-----|
| A. rock            | 41% |
| B. disco           | 2%  |
| C. country/western | 21% |
| D. pop             | 7%  |
| E. soul            | 21% |
| F. jazz            | 3%  |
| G. classical       | 5%  |

2. What kinds of dances do you prefer?

|                |     |
|----------------|-----|
| A. informal    | 36% |
| B. semi-formal | 30% |
| C. formal      | 18% |
| D. disco       | 16% |

3. What kind of music do you prefer at dances?

|         |     |
|---------|-----|
| A. fast | 4%  |
| B. slow | 26% |
| C. both | 70% |

4. Comment on your favorite singer or group

I am a big fan of Pat Benetar. I like her unique way of singing

—Loree Oaks, junior

I don't have a favorite; I like all kinds of music.

—Celina Hernandez, freshman

I think John Cougar is the best singer; he's cool and has a great voice

Mary Bornmann, freshman

I like Diana Ross. She knows how to get a crowd going

—Monica Cuevas, freshman

My favorite is Bob Segar and the Silver Bullet Band. I don't know why but his music is easy to listen to as well as understand.

—Kaye Turner, sophomore



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—Rick Avery

This year has been the busiest but most rewarding of my life. I have long looked forward to being a part of the Centennial; now that it's over, I hope to spend many years recalling this time with fondness. Although not a graduate of MHS, I've spent more of my life here than anywhere else, and I'm glad for that opportunity.

—James Shuman



I'm proud to be a Panther because Modesto High has been around for 100 years and I love it!

—Maria Salsi

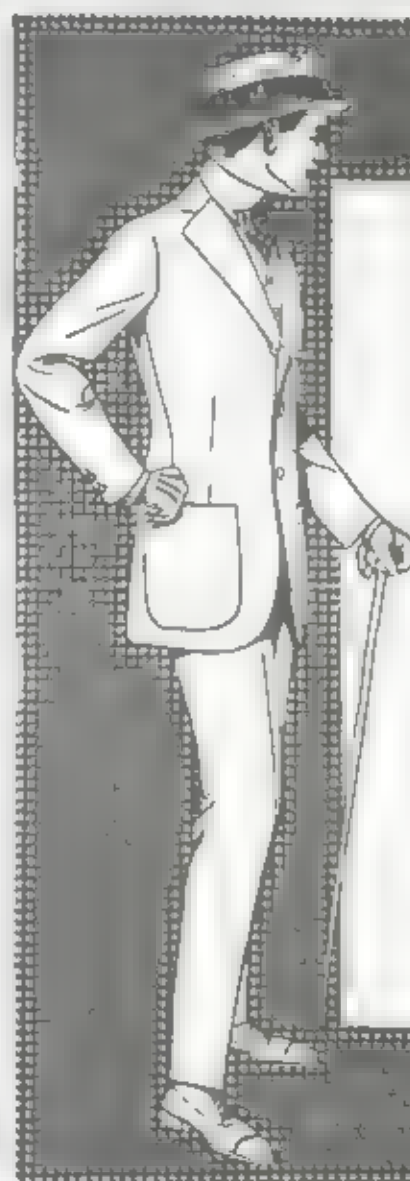
As a graduate of MHS, it really gives me a great deal of pride to tell people that I am a part of the Centennial. It involves much work but when each function has been completed it is well worth it, especially when I can say I have the honor of helping MHS celebrate its 100th year!

—Mary Davis



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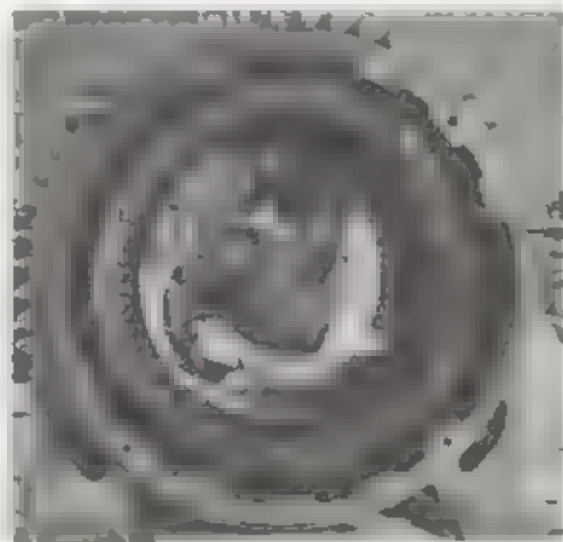
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## OPINION

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1. How do you spend most of your time when you're not in school?

- A. job 13%
- B. sports 13%
- C. TV, entertainment 12%
- D. hobbies 12%
- E. homework 7%
- F. with friends 27%
- G. other 16%

2. How would you like to spend your time when not in school?

- A. job 24%
- B. sports 11.5%
- C. TV, entertainment 6%
- D. hobbies 10%
- E. homework 1.5%
- F. with friends 32%
- G. other 15%

3. What type of movies do you enjoy seeing?

- A. western 6%
- B. comedy 35%
- C. romance 22%
- D. horror 24%
- E. true to life 10%
- F. other 3%

4. What are your thoughts on cruising McHenry?

- A. I like it! 27%
- B. it's OK 51%
- C. I don't like it 22%

5. Should guys pay the girl's way on a date?

- A. always 36%
- B. usually 58%
- C. Dutch Treat is the way to go 6%

6. Comment on ways you use your leisure time.

I have too much free time and I'd rather have a job

—Jess Holmes, senior

I have a job but would rather be messing around

—Mark Oreglia, freshman

Just being with friends is a great way to have fun!

—Kimberly Rancour, sophomore

Going for a ride in the mountains, just going out to see different sights

Sandra Ortega, senior

I work in the afternoons during the week and would like to be able to spend more time on the hobbies I have.

—Lisa Rhea, senior

I would like to be working, because I really need the money and I don't like to just sit around doing nothing

—Rhonda Lackey, senior





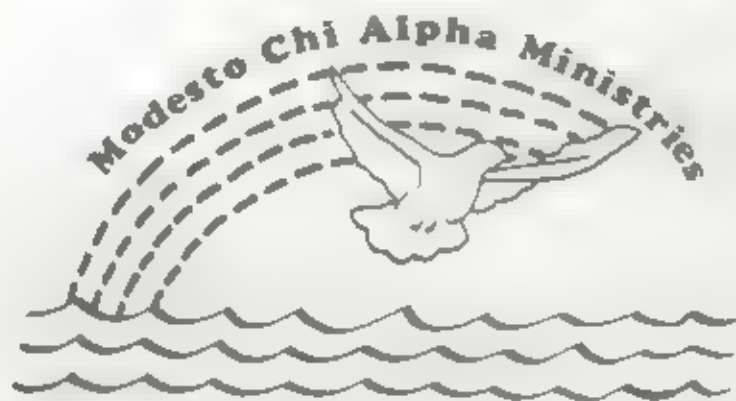
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—Michelle Azevedo

## OPINION

Questionnaires were distributed to randomly selected groups of students which represent a cross section of the MHS student body

1. What is your favorite subject in school?

|                    |     |
|--------------------|-----|
| A. sciences        | 17% |
| B. social sciences | 6%  |
| C. mathematics     | 25% |
| D. vocational      | 14% |
| E. arts            | 16% |
| F. other           | 22% |

FE English and foreign languages were mentioned most often

2. How do you feel about the basic competency tests?

|                                |     |
|--------------------------------|-----|
| A. a good thing                | 66% |
| B. not necessary               | 17% |
| C. too easy                    | 7%  |
| D. too hard                    | 5%  |
| E. don't measure what we learn | 5%  |

3. How do you feel about the lack of Summer School?

|                    |     |
|--------------------|-----|
| A. don't care      | 59% |
| B. wish we had one | 34% |
| C. other           | 7%  |

4. Which class or course has been most valuable to you in school?

Driver ed has been the most valuable course because it helped me get my license.

—Beatriz Velasquez, sophomore

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—Yolanda Allute, junior

Science and biology are most valuable to me because I want to go into medicine

—Christina Alcala, sophomore

Mathematics because I'm finally learning something and I'll be able to use it later when I go to college

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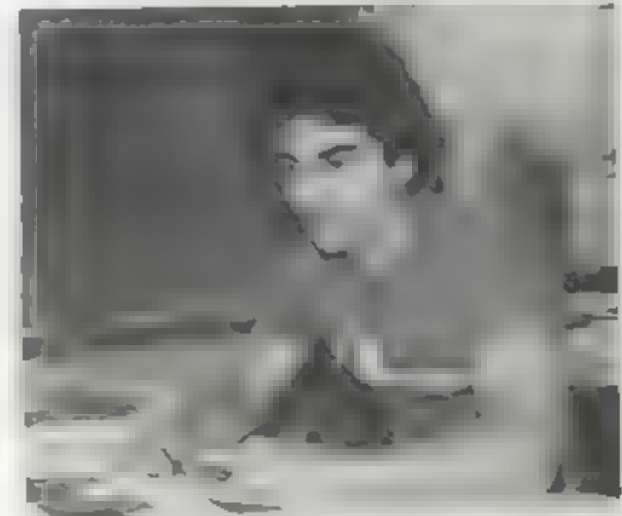
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Top: Production manager Joe Gallardo checks paste-ups with copy and photos.  
Above: Advisor Jim Shuman takes a turn at the typesetting keyboard



## Colophon

**T**rying to tell the story of the year in more than usual detail while also telling the story of the past 100 years, the 39 members of the 1983 Sycamore Staff soon found themselves struggling to meet deadlines. Failure to keep commitments and staff resignations added to the problems. Record unemployment and bankruptcies were reflected in sluggish ad sales despite an intensive campaign. Record rainfall throughout February and March made spring sports and spirit coverage unpredictable and difficult.

The 1050 copies of **Sycamore 83** were printed by Taylor Publishing Company of Dallas, Texas, with expert advice and invaluable assistance from sales representative Gary Donnell of Rocklin, California.

Books were again sold as part of the start-of-school Student Body Package, with the regular sale coming in October at \$20 each. Partly because of the community wide promotion, total sales increased by nearly 200 copies for the second year in a row, and ad sales, while still below the 1981 record, increased by

\$1200 to approximately \$7500

The 296 pages are printed on 80 lb gloss enamel paper. Body copy used throughout the book was 11 pt. Goudy Oldstyle, except division pages in 12 pt. Goudy Bold and the opening chapter in 11 pt. Goudy Bold. Captions were in 8 pt. Goudy Bold with the locator words in 9 pt. Goudy Extrabold.

Choosing the theme, "Panther Heritage: A Century of Significance," the staff attempted to relate the past and present in six distinct sections of the book. The oval theme design incorporated the Vivaldi type face at 48 pt., which was used on the contents page at 36 and 30 pt. and division pages at 120 pt. The lead-in initial on the division pages was 84 pt. Cloister, which was also used in the opening and closing sections at 42 pt., with headlines in 60 pt. New Bostonian. Layouts were in 2 column format, with oval pictures and rounded corners. The second section included headlines in Max Bold at 48 pt and captions without locator words. Layouts were 3 column.

The third section covered both spirit and sports. Spirit pages used 36 pt. Corv

Times Italic headlines, sports pages used 36 pt. Rockwell Bold Italic. Both used 3 column layout. Coaches were pictured in small ovals as a unifying design element. The fourth section covered clubs and academics, using 4 column design and 36 pt. Weiss Extrabold headlines. The fifth section, containing the portraits and profiles (called "Panther Personalities"), used 24 pt. McCullough headlines and oval profiles. Columns varied between 10½ and 15 picas wide.

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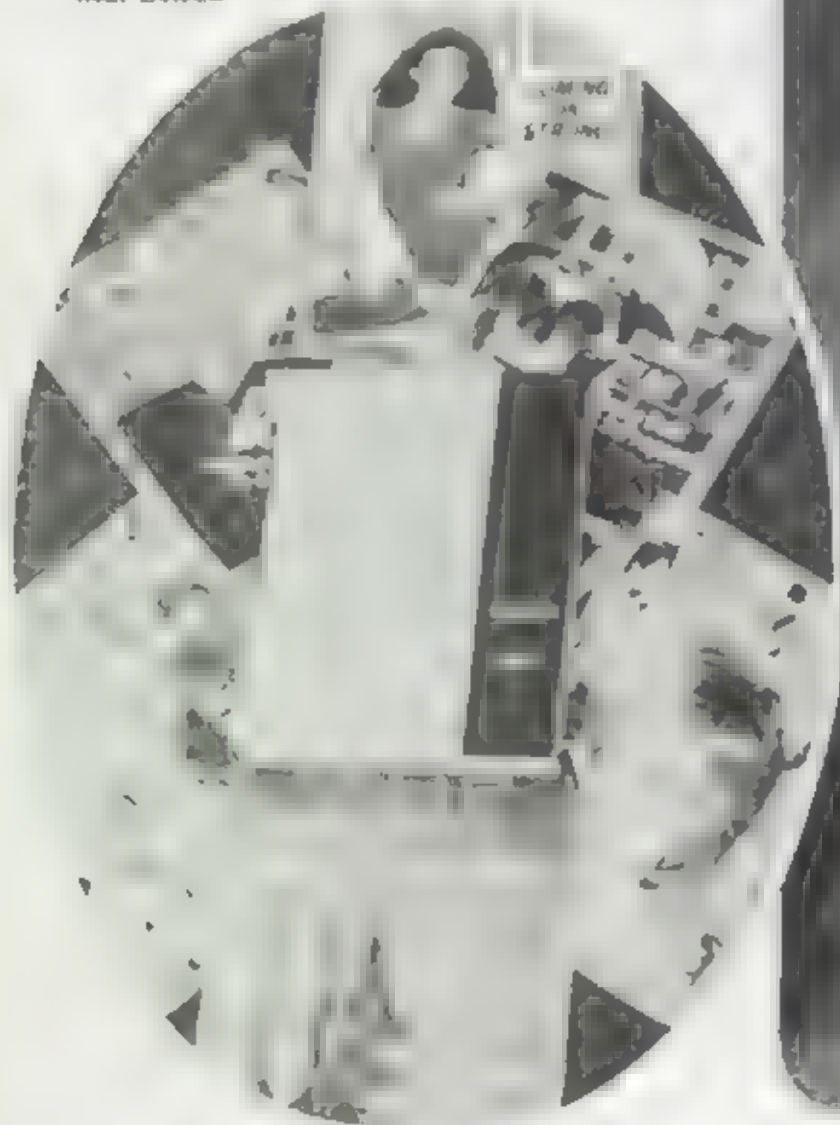


Below: Covers of a major newsmagazine and an encyclopedia yearbook tell many of the events of the year

Right: PLO leader Yassar Arafat addresses a meeting of the PLO Central Council in Damascus.

Opposite Page, Center: An Afghan guerrilla looks over the wreckage of a Soviet helicopter brought down as it tried to aid a convoy under attack in Afghanistan.

Opposite Page, Lower Left: US Marines take cover after terrorists throw a hand grenade at their patrol near Beirut.



## Changes in international leadership

by Jeremy Shuman

**I**t was a year filled with the death or replacement of many heads of state. On June 13 King Khalid of Saudi Arabia suffered a fatal heart attack, and was succeeded on the throne by his half-brother Fahd Ibn Abdulaziz. Four days later, Leopoldo Fortunato Galtieri resigned as the president of Argentina. After five days of indecision, Reynaldo Benito Bignone was appointed to the post by a military government. On July 4 Antonio Guzman Fernandez, president of the Dominican Republic, died of self-inflicted gunshot wounds, and was succeeded by his vice president, Jacob Mayluta Azar. On the same day Miguel de la Madrid was elected president of Mexico. July 15 saw the resignation of Bolivian president Celso Torrelío, who was succeeded six days later by Guido Vedoso Calderon. And on July 30 vice president Ricardo de la Espriella Jr. replaced resigning Panamanian president Aristides Royo.

On September 14, Lebanon's president-elect, Bashir Gemayel, was killed by a bomb blast in East Beirut. He was replaced by his brother Amin on the 21st. Bolivia returned to civilian rule when Herman Siles Zuazo

became president on October 10. Cameroon's president Ahmadou Ahidjo, who led the country to independence in 1960, turned the reigns over to prime minister Paul Biya on the 6th of November. Following the death of Russian leader Leonid Ilich Brezhnev, 75, of a heart attack on November 10, the USSR observed four days of mourning. Leadership of the nation fell to Yuri Andropov, former head of the KGB, on November 12. On the 26th of November, Yasuhiro Nakasone became the new prime minister of Japan.

On April 17, 1982, Queen Elizabeth II proclaimed a new Canadian constitution, which makes Canada completely free of Great Britain. Ten days later, China proposed a new constitution, which would drastically change the structure of that nation's government. After nearly a full nine months of waiting, on June 21 Buckingham Palace announced to an eager public the birth of William Arthur Phillip Louis to Prince Charles and Lady Diana. First in line for the throne after his father, he would become King William V if crowned.

The year was also one of international turmoil, with hostilities continuing in the Middle East and the Falkland Islands. Following the death of a soldier killed

I am proud to be a part of Modesto High School in its Centennial Year because I am personally involved with a historic event that is the culmination of 100 years of progress in this city's finest institution of learning.

Students who have the privilege to attend MHS should value the advantage of a school with such a proud heritage. I feel this heritage personally because my father, aunts, uncles, cousins, and three brothers have all attended MHS before me, and sharing memories and recollections of high school with them draws us closer together because of this common experience.

MHS is a great and unique school because it has an enduring spirit of pride, friendliness, and unity that has made its students love it through the years!

—Marilyn Wolf



in Lebanon by a land mine, Israeli war planes attacked Palestinian strongholds in Lebanon on April 21. The violence ended a nine-month cease-fire. On the 25th, Israel completed its withdrawal from the Sinai Peninsula as pledged in the treaty of 1979. In order to do so, Israeli citizens who opposed the move were forcibly removed from buildings by police and soldiers, and the buildings themselves bulldozed.

On June 6 the Israeli Army invaded Lebanon. the National Security Council of the UN demanded their withdrawal but were rejected. Within the month, 14,000 people were killed and another 600,000 left homeless. In just 8 days the troops completely encircled Beirut, trapping PLO leaders. On the 4th of August Israeli troops pushed into West Beirut, and on the 12th they bombed the sector for 11 hours from the air. Finally, after 65 days of negotiation, the first 450 members of the PLO boarded ships and left for Cyprus, beginning the PLO evacuation that Israel demanded. A peace-keeping force of 1200 US marines, 1560 French paratroopers and 1400 Italians provided security for the withdrawal.

Then, on September 15, Israeli troops moved into West Beirut despite US protests. In a period from the 16th to the 18th, Lebanese Christian militiamen massacred hundreds of men, women and children in refugee camps in the area. As the result of an extensive investigation, Israeli defense minister Ariel Sharon and four generals were found "indirectly responsible" and Sharon was forced to resign. Although the Israelis pulled back from Beirut, they remained in Lebanon, and negotiations dragged on for their withdrawal.

Other conflicts also continued: the Russian occupation of Afghanistan, the clash between Iraq and Iran, and Vietnamese expansionist attempts against their Thai and Cambodian neighbors.

On April 5, 1982, England sent an armada to recapture the Falkland Islands, seized by Argentina the day before. As the result of public sentiment, Lord Carrington resigned as British foreign secretary. Just over a month later, British troops invaded East Falkland Island and on June 14 Argentine troops surrendered. Total casualties included the loss of 6 British vessels and the Argentine "General Belgrano," a renamed US cruiser.

On the international sports scene, Martina Navratilova and Jimmy Connors won Wimbledon titles, Italy defeated West Germany 3-1 for the Soccer World Cup, and Billy Olsen became the first man ever to vault over 19 feet indoors, with a record 19'  $\frac{1}{4}$ ". Also, the World's Fair opened in Knoxville, Tennessee with the theme "Energy Turns the World."

Soviet Cosmonauts Anatoly Berezovoy and Valentin Lebedev landed safely after a record 211 days in space. On October 27 China announced a population of 1,008,175,288 following the largest census in history. For the first time in their 22-month conflict, Iranian troops invaded Iraq. On the 9th of August, a kosher restaurant in a Jewish neighborhood in Paris was bombed, killing 6 people and wounding 22. Pope John Paul II visited Great Britain on June 2, becoming the first Pope ever to do so.

An earthquake in Yemen killed more than 2800 people, and on January 25 Klaus Barbie, the "Butcher of Lyon," was arrested by Bolivian officials and turned over to the French for trial.



Left: Yuri Andropov succeeded Leonid Brezhnev as the Soviet leader



# US economy varied but mostly up

by Jeremy Shuman



Throughout the year, the economy showed signs of recovery, but never really took off. Following the eighth straight advance, stock prices hit a new peak on April 18, 1983. Two stocks rose for every one that fell, as the Dow Jones average reached 1183.24 in the most sustained surge since April, 1975. Since August, 1982, stocks climbed over 400 points. And major US automakers posted a 32.4% increase in early April. A reported 157,875 cars were sold between April 1-10, 1983.

Not everything was on the rise, however. Braniff International Corporation, the eighth largest US airline, filed for bankruptcy on May 13, 1982, and US unemployment reached 10.8% on December 3, the highest rate since 1940.

In the world of sports, New York defeated Vancouver for their third straight pro hockey Stanley Cup. The LA Lakers downed Philadelphia 4 games to 2 in the NBA championship and heavyweight boxing champ Larry Holmes successfully defended his title against challenger Jerry Cooney. Two weeks into the season, NFL players went on strike after basic labor agreement negotiations failed. The strike lasted nearly two months and games resumed on November 21. The Cards beat the Brewers 4 games to 3 for the World Series title, and catcher Darrell Porter was named MVP. In superbowl action, the Redskins downed the Dolphins 27-17, with

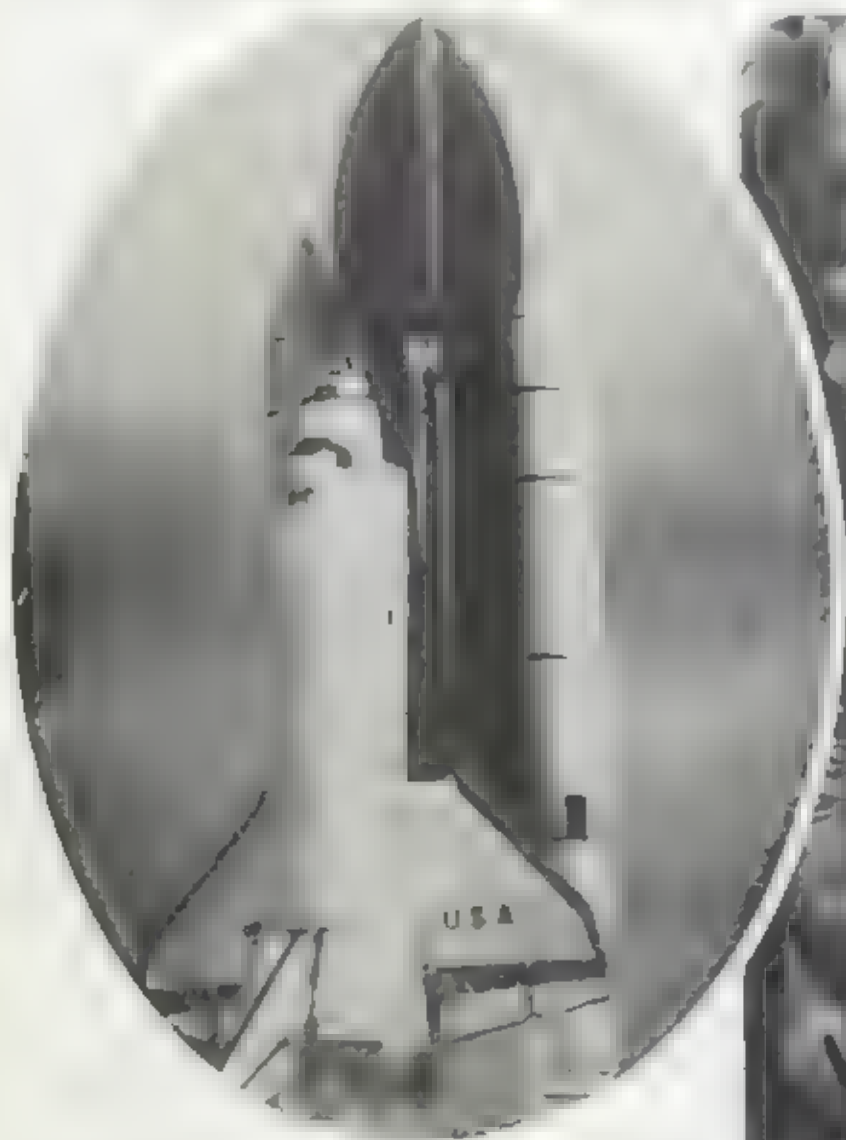
John Riggins chosen as MVP. The USFL formed as a regular league, and college star Herschel Walker signed a reported five million dollar contract with the NY Generals.

Hollywood introduced 3 hits over the summer, but lost many well-known performers. ET grossed \$13,383,204 in one weekend, while Rocky III raked in \$5,092,684 and Star Trek II managed \$4,546,175. The February 28 final episode of M.A.S.H., an 11-year old TV series, drew 77% of the viewers, or 125 million people, to rank first in total viewing. Top Oscars for the year went to Ghandi, Ben Kingsley, and Meryl Streep.

Ingrid Bergman, 67 and winner of three Academy awards, died of cancer on August 29, and Princess Grace of Monaco, former queen of the silver screen, was killed in an auto accident in southern France. Comedian John Belushi died of a drug overdose, and Karen Carpenter, Henry Fonda, and Natalie Wood passed away.

On June 12, 750,000 people took part in a peace rally in New York, and on the 21st John Hinkley Jr. was found not guilty by reason of insanity of shooting President Reagan and three others in March of 1981. A mass wedding by the Unification Church in Madison Square Garden in July joined more than 2000 couples, and a Pan Am World Airways jet crashed at New Orleans International Airport, killing 183 people.

On September 29 and 30 cyanide-laced capsules of Extra Strength Tylenol killed seven people in the Chicago



Above: The space shuttle Columbia blasts off from Kennedy Space Center, Florida, on June 27, 1982, for its fourth and final test flight.

Right: After waiting in line all night, Chicago job seekers push to apply for 3,800 temporary city positions.





Panther Pride is an intangible collection of beliefs and ideas that have been maturing for 100 years. The place is important, but our desire to protect and respect MHS is infinitely more significant.

Each of us has a favorite class, activity and group but we most generally mingle and interrelate these aspects so we are part of the whole student body physically and emotionally.

Sincerely understanding that the students and staff are humans with strengths, weaknesses, good days and poor days and genuinely accepting these qualities that bring us joys and frustrations both private and shared, are what make us unique in our community.

I think we really do care about each other, and that excites me.

—Loren Horton



Left: After upsetting incumbent Jane Byrne in the primary, Chicago's Harold Washington survived a racist campaign to become the city's first black mayor.

Below Left: US Secretary of State Alexander Haig announces his resignation.

Below: The wreckage of a burned out automobile shows the carnage of the Miami riots.

Lower Left: The cast of the final episode of M\*A\*S\*H celebrates one of the most popular series in TV history.



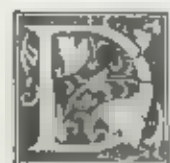
area, prompting "copy-cat" poisonings in scattered cities across the country. Walt Disney's \$800 million theme park 'Epcot Center' opened on October 1 in Lake Buena Vista, Florida, and auto executive John De Lorean was arrested in Los Angeles on charges of possession of cocaine and conspiracy to distribute it on October 8, destroying his dreams of saving his failing automotive empire.

In early November the shuttle Columbia completed the last of its four test flights, and from the 11th to 16th it performed its first operational mission, which included deployment of two communication satellites. On November 13 a Viet Nam Vets Memorial was dedicated in Washington, DC. The first permanent artificial heart was implanted in the chest of Barney Clark in Salt Lake City, Utah, on December 2. After surviving numerous set-backs and recoveries, Barney died in March of multiple organ failure. On December 8 a man threatened to blow up the Washington Monument unless there was a national dialogue on nuclear weapons. He was killed by police gunfire while trying to escape. During the month of January, 1983, Miami, Florida was torn by riots after a young black man was killed by police.

Alexander Haig resigned as Secretary of State on June 25, 1982 and was replaced by George Schultz. Reagan signed special legislation on September 22 that forced 26,000 striking locomotive engineers back to work. Democrats gained 26 seats in the House of Representatives in mid-term elections and an LA federal district judge ruled that US draft registration laws were invalid. In December, Ted Kennedy declined to run for president in 1984. On December 23 the US Congress approved a gas tax increase of five cents per gallon, which became effective on April 1, 1983.

# Foul weather sets records in state

by Sabrina Farris



During the year, four California counties exceeded the 20% unemployment mark. Stanislaus, Merced, San Joaquin and Tuolumne Counties suffered the nation's economic struggles with thousands of people out of work. Many were forced to turn toward welfare and accept food and clothing aid.

Hitting California as hard as the economic struggle, the weather gave Golden Staters a taste of what winter can really be like. The stormy weather brought widespread damage and destruction throughout the state, setting a 50 year record in many categories. Record-high tides and bolsterous waves did incalculable damage along the coast, while the entire central valley was subjected to serious flooding. Mudslides were reported in dozens of areas along the coast and in the mountains. The Sierra snowpack was reported at 200 to 250% of normal. By March, the valley had received approximately 25 inches of rain. Even through April, the rains managed to keep coming.

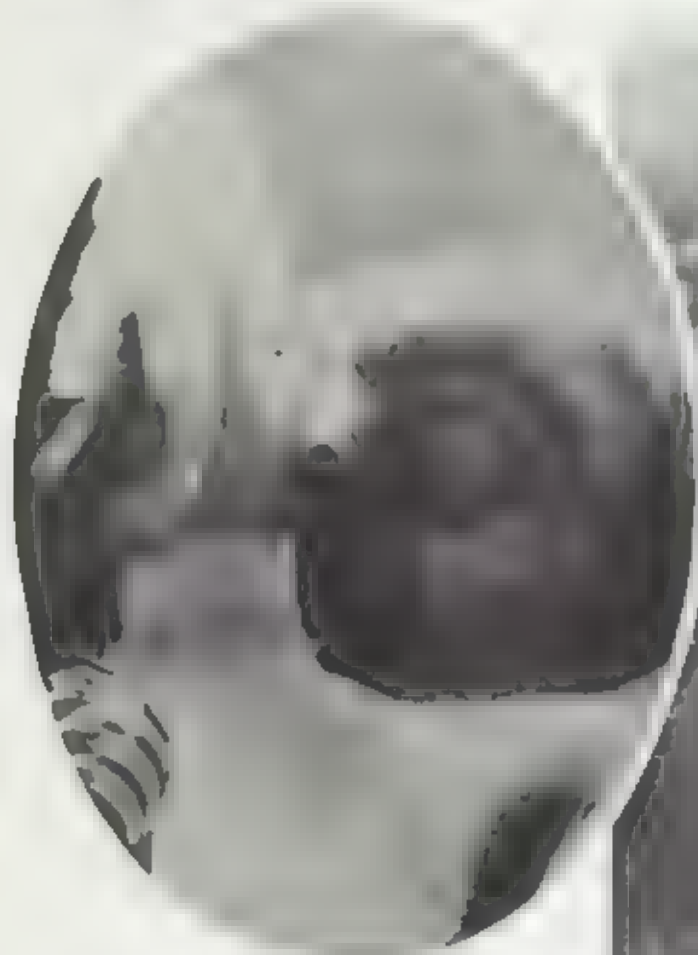
In the November elections for California, George Deukmejian succeeded Jerry Brown as Governor. He narrowly defeated Democrat Thomas Bradley, mayor of Los Angeles, in a race characterized by name-calling and character assassination. The state passed a nuclear freeze initiative, while the hand-gun registration was defeated by voters at the polls. Deukmejian campaigned with a promise to raise no new taxes, and after the election, Governor Brown called the lame-duck legislature back into session to deal with the state's serious financial crisis: the budget projections showed a deficit of up to \$1 billion before June 30 unless emergency action of some

kind was taken. A proposed "sin tax" on alcohol, tobacco, and similar products was defeated, and the special session adjourned with no action taken on most of the proposals before it. Brown's last two days in office were uncharacteristically occupied by appointing hundreds of people to fill vacancies on boards and in courtrooms, thus committing one last act of political patronage before relinquishing the state to a Republican administration.

By mid-January, it became apparent that the new legislature was no more likely to bite the budget bullet than its predecessor had been. The state treasurer and comptroller threatened to pay the state's February bills with "vouchers" — IOU's with redemption at some future date — if no money was forthcoming. Prominently mentioned were paychecks for over 200,000 state employees, and state income tax refunds. At the last possible date, a group of California banks joined together to loan the state the necessary money to avoid the embarrassment of temporarily-worthless vouchers. Even then, the governor remained opposed to new taxes, and the legislature moved slowly and uncertainly toward fiscal responsibility.

A series of accidents involving B-52 bombers has left people questioning their air-worthiness. The most recent of these occurred in mid-April on a practice bombing run in Nevada. The plane disappeared and a search of several days' duration resulted in discovery of the wreckage in a remote area. All aboard had been killed instantly.

The first was on November 29, when one of the big bombers crashed during landing at Castle Air Force



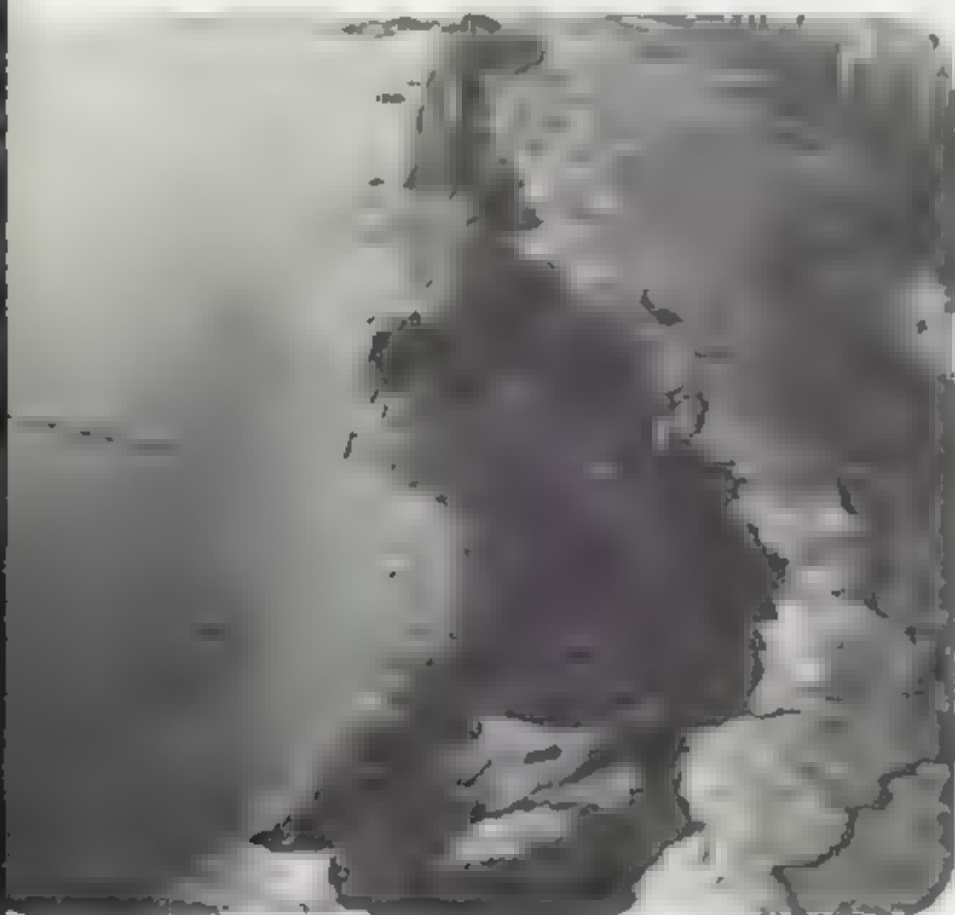
Above: The movie E.T. with Drew Barrymore broke the record as an all-time box office smash hit.

Right: In Malibu, a house hangs over a cliff formed when a mudslide swept away its foundation.





For thirty years Modesto High School has been my home. Its kids have been my kids; their sorrows, my sorrows; their joys, my joys. If I could live it all over again, I wouldn't change one day or one minute. Be proud, Modesto High School, for your heritage is your strength!  
—Dee Killam



Above: The wreckage of an Air Force B-52 bomber that exploded on a runway at Castle Air Force Base on November 29 lies just as it landed. Its nine crew members narrowly escaped serious injury  
Left: Newly-elected Governor George Deukmejian prepares to make a state-wide television address from Sacramento to explain his stand against a proposed increase in personal income taxes

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Below: Queen Elizabeth and her husband Prince Phillip of England attended Episcopal church services in San Diego during their California visit  
Lower Left: An eroded levee in the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta area shows evidence of heavy flooding.



Base near Merced. Fortunately, there were no deaths. A crash at Mather AFB near Sacramento on December 16 was the biggest disaster in terms of lives: nine perished. On January 27 flames erupted in a B-52 on the ground at Grand Forks AFB in North Dakota, killing five. And on March 10, a wing broke off a bomber during refueling at Mather, but there were no fatalities. Investigation continues into the causes of these accidents, but Air Force spokesmen insist there is no suspicion of a conspiracy

The entire state was agog about royalty in March, when California received a rare visit from Queen Elizabeth of England and her husband, Prince Phillip. Arriving in southern California and visiting various landmarks throughout the state, and attending and hosting receptions and banquets given by President Reagan in San Francisco, the royal party spent nearly a week, during which time the rain kept right on falling. Scheduled to spend two days in Yosemite National Park, the travel route had to be changed at the last minute because of a huge rock and mud slide across the intended highway. Following an alternate route, a tragic accident occurred in which two secret service men, traveling in an advance vehicle, were killed, and another man seriously injured.



# Local economy suffers record losses

by Jeremy Shuman



Local unemployment reached the second highest level in the nation, at 23.8% in February, due in part to the number of major employers forced to lay off or cut back their work forces. Among others, Joaquin Construction Company filed for reorganization under Chapter 13 of the bankruptcy law. Bank of America backed the company in its reorganization bid.

On the lighter side of the economic picture, gasoline prices were among the nation's lowest, dropping briefly to 86.9¢ a gallon before beginning another rise.

Both the city council and the school board held elections in March, selecting three teachers or former teachers to the school board, and retaining Mayor Peggy Mensinger and electing former school board chairman Carol Whiteside as a council member.

The extraordinarily heavy rainfall resulted in many problems locally. In December, while swimming, two young boys drowned in the Tuolumne River, just off Paradise Road west of town. Later in the season, the Tuolumne overflowed its banks, forcing MHS students living in the flood plain to evacuate, and flooding Maze Boulevard near the San Joaquin River, thereby causing traffic to be routed through Tracy.

Duel Vocational Institute near Tracy found itself without heat or electricity after floodwaters seeped into the basement and shorted out the power generators. Operating on skimpy and erratic emergency lighting only, the inmates were locked in their cells for several weeks until full electricity was restored and all activity

could return to normal.

South of Manteca, the San Joaquin River burst a levee and flooded thousands of acres of farmland. To combat the flooding, farmers purposely broke the levee further downstream to allow the water to drain back out. Although their action was first assailed as unauthorized and malicious by the Army Corps of Engineers, it was later acknowledged to have been instrumental in permitting a long-unused secondary levee to hold long enough to prevent further flooding.

In mid-April, a tanker truck hauling phosphoric acid overturned on Maze Boulevard, and homes for a one mile radius from the spill were evacuated. Nearby Central Catholic High and St. Stanislaus schools were also evacuated, giving the students an unexpected holiday.

A highly controversial local item and one of the most newsworthy to confront the new governor was the parole of murderer Archie Fain, who had murdered a seventeen year old boy and raped his two companions near Oakdale 15½ years ago. Despite twice being granted parole by the state board, and being certified as having undergone a "conversion experience" while in prison, Fain had faced the frustration and disappointment of having the decision rescinded by the state board because of "public outcry." His most recent attempt to gain his freedom began last summer, and after the reversal, his lawyers petitioned to the state supreme court. That tribunal handed down a decision which said that "public outcry" was not a sufficient reason for keeping a man in jail. The board promptly scheduled his parole and set the date for his release. At that point, Deukme-



Above, The Kidd Family, a double three-generation Panther family: Donna Moore Kidd, '61; John Kidd, '54; Eddie Kidd, '86. Grandmother Laverne Kolling Moore, '31, was unable to be in the picture, and grandfather Hubert Kidd, '16, is deceased

Right: Susie Beckwith and Pam Ketchum take refuge under an umbrella during one of the numerous deluges which struck during February and March





jian exercised his power as governor to keep Fain behind bars, the first such use of an obscure statute in over thirty years.

Work finally began on the off-street parking area located across from the auditorium. The existing buildings were demolished and the property leveled in preparation for the laying of the blacktop surface. The long-planned move to the Washington school site was put off once again, this time until the summer.

In connection with the Centennial Celebration, numerous events were held throughout the year. These included the Fall Harvest Barbeque, Panthers on Parade, a three-hour historical extravaganza of slides, music, and live performances, a Literary Tea to recognize alumni who are writers, a toast to the Faculty past and present, evenings with two alumni who have become successes in the film world, and the centennial parade, Salute to Modesto High.

The Varsity Basketball Team staged a celebration of its own, going undefeated in league play, and advancing to the final four in state tournament play with an overall record of 28-5. Their final two games coincided with both performances of Panthers on Parade, confronting the community with a choice of which significant event to attend. Crowds were heavy and exuberant at both affairs, uniting friends and acquaintances in a true rekindling of the Panther Heritage.

Left: The signs at local gas stations reflected the "gas war" which prevailed briefly during the winter months in Modesto. Motorists scrambled to buy gas at the cheapest station, but by April prices were again over \$1.00 and still rising.

Lower Left: A tanker truck overturned on Maze Boulevard, resulting in a poisonous chemical spill in early April.

Below: Assemblyman Gary Condit was one of the victorious candidates in the fall elections; he replaced retiring Assemblyman John Thurman.



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My association with Modesto High School began in 1962, when I entered as a freshman, and continued the following years while my brothers were students here. In 1974 I joined the staff as a teacher and coach.

I find this Centennial Year very exciting. I've enjoyed reliving past memories, becoming reacquainted with old friends, and meeting other proud graduates of MHS. The Centennial Celebration has made me realize that Modesto High has been an integral part of my life for over twenty years.

—Marty Boer



Left: A levee break in the San Joaquin River along Stanislaus County's west side caused widespread flooding of farmland.

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# Centennial Year brings celebration



As the 1982-83 school year drew to a close, students and teachers alike felt the tugging of anticipation. Thoughts turned to the approaching summer and the realization of long-planned activities. Memories of hope, sorrow, victory and defeat were set aside to make room for the joys of release.

Mingled with the high spirits and anticipation were feelings of sentimental sadness. The memories, both the good and the bad, of four long years all rushed together into one, forming a collage of joyful experiences.

The long-awaited move to Washington School was once again postponed, although work did begin on the one-half acre "off-street parking area" across from the auditorium. Amid the shuffle of the Centennial Celebration and the Varsity Basketball Team's first league and section championship in 23 years, however, many people forgot about it altogether. The Varsity Panthers ended their season in the Oakland Coliseum where they faced the eventual state champs, Menlo High, in the Final Four contest.

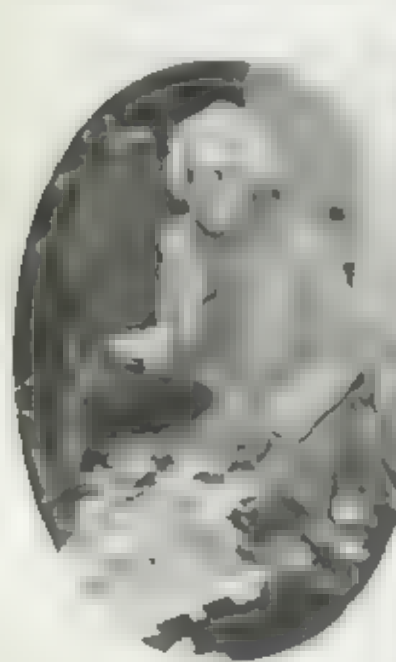
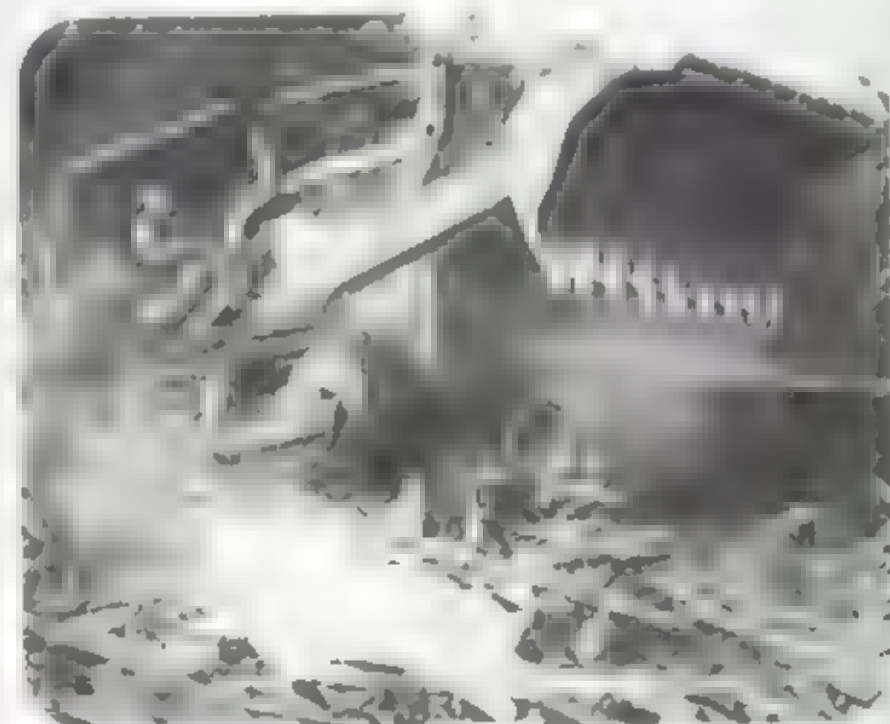
By a curious stroke of fate, the gala opening of the Centennial Season fell on the same weekend as the Varsity Team's glamorous battle for the Northern California championship. "Panthers on Parade," a three-hour extravaganza of MHS history in slides, music, dance, and drama, played to full houses on both nights, and generated community-

wide enthusiasm which lasted through the spring.

Through it all, students and faculty alike maintained a feeling of pride in being a part of "the oldest and best high school in town."

*Jeremy Shuman*

Below: A bulldozer demolition was the first step in preparing MHS to expand its boundaries across the street to the north.



Above: At the reception following "Panthers on Parade" Mayor Peggy Menninger helps serve "birthday cake."

Right: Keith Waters, member of the Sac-Joquin Championship basketball team, goes up for a shot against a Hayward competitor at the Nor-Cal semi-finals



Above: Custodians Bill Fox and Mel Sprinkle sweep the halls after lunch every day





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has been fun, I hope that you enjoyed it, without  
some of us beer do it again, like well, remember my this  
made it, we can do it worth your while. I promise  
you go, I'll make like you want to go, so Baby, I'll  
so, it looks like Please don't forget me + Call me  
let you go. Please don't forget me + Call me  
before you go. Please don't forget me + Call me  
Call sometime  
522-0811



ON MODESTO

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DEER FOR PROTESTO

## VICTORY SONG

you keep  
me up  
and this  
isn't  
each  
love  
other  
way

Take me  
up  
and  
this  
isn't  
each  
love  
other  
way

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*(Handwritten note on yellowed paper)*

I hope you are well  
I have been thinking about  
you all the time.  
Love,  
John

*(Faint musical notation visible at the top left)*



Nov. 20 Lancaster

SCHOOL HYMN

A handwritten musical score on aged paper. The title "SCHOOL HYMN" is written in large, bold, capital letters at the top center. Below the title, the lyrics are written in a cursive hand: "all hail to thee, mad-dest to High Let not thy soaring ech-oes die. In black and crimson". The music is written on three staves. The first staff begins with a treble clef, a key signature of one sharp (F#), and a 4/4 time signature. The notes are handwritten and correspond to the lyrics. The paper shows signs of age, including yellowing and some staining.

black and crimson  
ma-jes-ty Thy  
col-ors stand for vic-to-ry  
Thy loy-al sons and

Thy loyal sons and daughters raise thee in ever-reverent praise

A song sent ring-

A handwritten musical score on aged, yellowed paper. The score is written in three staves using a simple, hand-drawn notation. The lyrics are written below the staves. The text of the lyrics is: "A song sent ring-ing to the sky. All hail to thee Mo-des-to high". The paper shows signs of age, including creases and discoloration.

A song sent ring-ing to the sky. All hail to thee Mo-des-to high

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